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Homecoming features Boston 'power-pop' band

By Michele Savage
For The Maine Campus

This weekend the University of Maine's parking lots will be filled with cars, Morse Field and Alford Arena's bleachers will be tight quarters, and music will be

played around campus. Voices will be heard cheering on our teams, most of which will be those with a degree from UMaine.

Friday, Oct. 27, kicks off UMaine's Homecoming 2000. Homecoming will run through Sunday, Oct. 29 and consists of

many different activities for students, faculty and UMaine alumni.

The weekend is aimed at keeping alumni of the university connected, which the Alumni Association works hard to do year-round.

One major activity is taking place on Saturday afternoon following the football game. Miss Fortune, a Boston based "power-pop" band will be playing a free concert on the Mall. Miss Fortune's debut CD will soon be released by the lead singer's

record label, What Kinda Records.

Matt Perkins, who coordinated the concert with Lauri Sidelko, spoke about the show.

"The Office of Campus Activities and Events wanted to

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State gambling question's opposition dislikes wording

By Anthony Saucier
For The Maine Campus

If Question 3 passes on Nov. 7, video gambling may soon find itself in Maine's harness racing facilities.

In a little more than two weeks, Maine's residents will vote whether or not to allow video lottery terminals, also called VLTs, at certain harness racing establishments with the provision that 40 percent of the profits would be used to lower property taxes.

That 40 percent could mean an increase of about \$44 million in property tax relief for the state of Maine, according to the Office of Fiscal and Program Review of the Maine State Legislature. Such funds would be reflected in fiscal year 2002, which would be the proposed law's first full year in implementation.

An establishment that stands to benefit from the passage of Question 3 is Scarborough Downs, the state's largest harness racing track. While Scarborough Downs is not specifically named in the bill, criteria in the referendum concerning racetrack eligibility makes it impossible for other tracks to use VLTs.

In order to install VLTs under the new law, a racetrack must have "conducted live racing on more than 100 days in each of the previous two calendar years" to be considered for a license to run the VLTs. Furthermore, no license may be issued within 150 miles of an existing VLT license, accord-

ing to the law.

Aside from Scarborough Downs, Bangor Raceways is the only other race track with a harness racing season. Other towns in Maine, including Cumberland and Farmington, offer harness racing by way of their annual state fair.

Bangor Raceways would not be eligible for VLTs with their current racing season of only 25 actual racing days.

A staunch opposition to the bill's passage has come from a group called Mainers Against a Dishonest Deal. The group operates under the slogan, "no dice," a reference to the big time gambling they feel the bill would allow if voters approved Question 3.

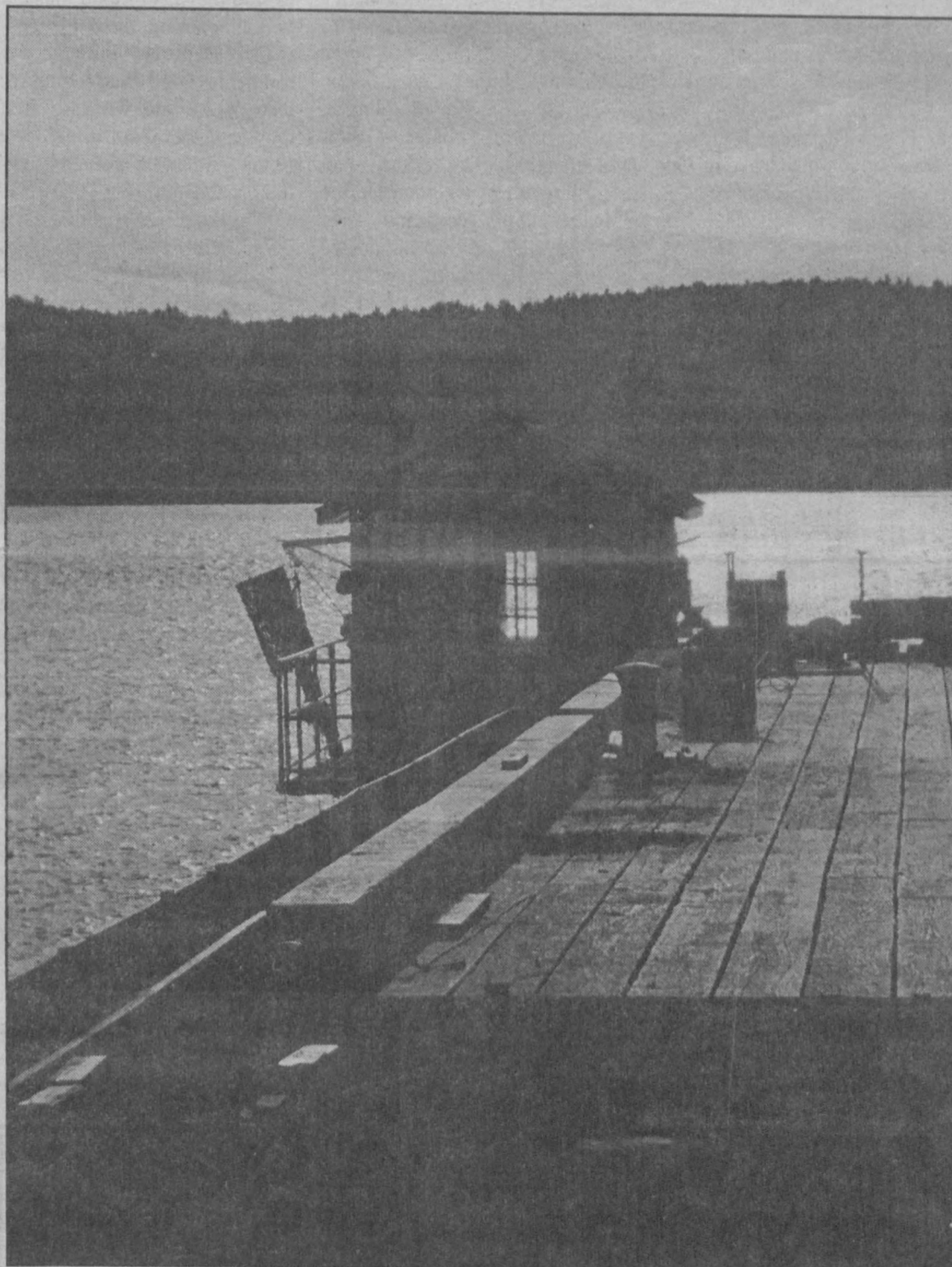
"It's an instant casino," No Dice chairman Terrence Garmey said of the proposed law at a press conference in Portland in early October.

Part of the opposition comes from additional wording concerning where a racetrack could set up VLTs after acquiring a license. The bill states that racetracks could operate video lottery terminals "at locations for which it is licensed to accept parimutuel wagers on horse races."

The term "parimutuel wagers" includes those placed at off-track betting sites. The opposition claims that the plural of term "locations" would allow harness racing operations like Scarborough Downs to use

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UMaine's little secret



The pier at the Darling Marine Center, a University of Maine research facility on the Damariscotta River estuary. See feature story on page 6. CAMPUS PHOTO BY SCOTT SHELTON.

Geology professor challenges campus community on abortion

By Matt Shaer
National Politics Reporter

Professor Terry Hughes is a glacier specialist possessing 26 years of tenure at the University of Maine, and, perhaps more notably, a degree of infamy for certain publicly held beliefs.

Two weeks ago, he was photographed with a poster of a dead fetus below a swastika and fea-

tured prominently on Page One of The Maine Campus.

Hughes takes it all with a grain of salt.

"I'm not looking for an end to this abortion holocaust to come from the Supreme Court," Hughes confides, leaning forward in his chair. "It's got to be something that the American people come to out of revulsion."

The mere release of such a

statement seems to excite the man. His hands are soon navigating his cluttered desk and settling, with obvious purpose, on a thick blue geology text. On the spine is his own name. He presents the book without skipping a beat, hastily building denunciation of all things liberal.

"Your entire generation could have been legally killed since the Roe vs. Wade decision," he said.

"Can you tell me how that's any different from what Hitler did?"

The professor is sure his abortion protests have made an impact on people.

"It's educational," he said. "[It's] to bring people to their senses. A picture is worth a thousand words, and what can someone on the other side say to a picture of a dead [human being]?"

"From one point of view, I

wish the [campus police] would arrest me," the professor says, and then reflexively acknowledges a flip side to the proverbial coin. "I do have loyalty to the University of Maine. I've enjoyed my work and my colleagues, and I don't want Orono to get bad publicity."

Hughes, reclining leisurely under a poster of John Wayne —

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Police Beat

By Nicole Brann
Crime Reporter

Justin Harkins, 20, was arrested twice in less than 24 hours. He was summoned for illegal possession of alcohol by a minor and for violating the conditions of his release after he was arrested the first time. Harkins was arrested due to an active warrant as a result of unpaid fines issued by University of Maine Public Safety and later arrested for criminal trespass.

Harkin's partner in crime, Robert Johnson, was also arrested on a charge of criminal trespass after he and Harkins had been given warnings not to return to campus earlier that day.

At about 1 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 22, Officer Jeff King was patrolling in Kennebec Hall when he observed two men walking. One was carrying a 12-pack of beer.

According to reports, King asked the men for identification. One of them, later identified as Harkins, said he did not have any.

Harkins managed to produce an ID and, after running a routine license and warrant check, it was found there was an active warrant

for his arrest due to unpaid fines. As a result, Harkins was arrested and taken to Penobscot County Jail. Both men were told not to return to campus.

Later that day, at 11 p.m., Officers Gene Fizell and Scott Curtis responded to Hancock Hall to investigate a report of people randomly knocking on doors and some of the residents also reported they were receiving unidentified calls.

The officers spoke with men they believed to be involved and Officer Jeff King was called in to assist in the situation.

According to reports, King recognized two of the men from a previous encounter and remembered they had both been warned to stay off campus. As a result, one of the men, Robert Johnson, was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass. The other man, according to reports, consented to a search of his room and, upon entering, Harkins was recognized as one of the male occupants.

Because he, too, was told not to return to campus and that one of the conditions of his bail from the previous arrest was not to commit a criminal act, Harkins

was arrested again.

Both are scheduled to appear in Bangor District Court on Dec. 1.

Jesse Bresnahan, 19, was arrested on a charge of operating under the influence after the 1991 Saab 900 he was driving struck a female pedestrian.

At about 2:10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, officers were called to Hilltop Road to assist a pedestrian who had been struck by a car.

Upon arrival, Officer Jeff King spoke with witnesses who said they had seen the Saab speeding on the road.

According to reports, witnesses said they heard loud music and yelling coming from the car as well. Reports indicate that moments later, screeching tires were heard and witnesses stated they saw the Saab turn sideways in the road and a woman lying on the ground.

The driver, Bresnahan, was given field sobriety tests. He was arrested for OUI and taken to the Orono Police Department where he was administered an intoxilyzer test. According to reports, his blood alcohol content was .13.

The woman struck was listed to be in stable condition with head injuries at Eastern Maine Medical Center.

Four people were summoned at 9:15 p.m. Friday, Oct. 20, after the gathering they were having was interrupted by Public Safety.

Officer Gene Fizell was patrolling in Hancock Hall when he observed two men come out of a third-floor room. While the door was open, Fizell observed a number of people inside the room with what appeared to be beer cans around them.

Fizell spoke with the occupants of the room, who stated that the two men leaving were the residents and they had told them it was OK to stay there while they were gone.

After running routine license checks, Todd Carter, 20; Michael Roberts, 20; Heather Poulin, 19; and Jason Mitchell, 20, were all issued summonses on a charge of illegal possession of alcohol by a minor.

All are scheduled to appear in Bangor District Court on Dec. 1.

Thomas Bayer, 18, was summoned on a charge of possession of stolen property, and Joseph Salisbury, 19, was summoned on a charge of criminal mischief after questioning by Officer Deb Mitchell concerning a broken Pi Kappa Alpha sign.

During the early morning hours of Sunday, Oct. 15, brothers at PIKE reported to the Orono PD that someone had broken their sign, valued at \$2,200.

That same morning at about 9:30 a.m., Orono PD received another call reporting the theft of a sign at a building next to the PIKE house. The missing oval sign was reportedly valued at \$780.

Through police investigation,

Bayer and Salisbury were brought in for questioning on Thursday, Oct. 19. According to reports, both admitted that they were intoxicated and had broken and taken the signs from both places.

As a result Bayer was summoned for being in possession of the sign, valued at \$780, and Salisbury was summoned for breaking the PIKE sign.

Carvell Ammons, 23, was arrested for theft after Officer Gene Fizell observed Ammons removing mail from resident mailboxes in Hancock Hall.

At about 10 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, Fizell was sitting in the Hancock office when he observed Ammons in the lobby waiting to get into the dorm.

Ammons waited a few minutes until he was let into the building and went to the west wing. Moments later, Fizell heard noises of mailboxes opening and closing and mail being removed.

Because Fizell was in the office, he could see the mailbox doors opening and mail being taken out. Through the mailboxes, Fizell recognized the male's clothing as that of the man who had been waiting to get in.

Fizell called after Ammons, who came back from behind the corner, where Fizell found paper and envelopes addressed to other residents lying on the floor.

As a result, Ammons was arrested for theft and taken to Penobscot County Jail.

Follow-up interviews with residents whose mail had been taken proved that Ammons had not been given permission to access the mailboxes.

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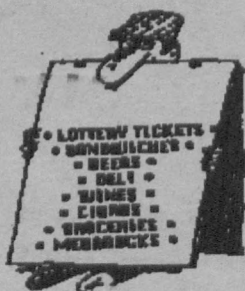
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New heifer barn planned for Witter Research Center

By Anthony Saucier
For The Maine Campus

A little dirt was thrown yesterday, marking the start of a new home for the cows of the University of Maine.

Amid various livestock were UMaine administrators, faculty and students gathered at the J.F. Witter Teaching and Research Farm Thursday afternoon for a ceremonial groundbreaking for a new heifer barn to be erected on the grounds of the farm.

The new structure will replace a 28-year-old heifer barn that currently houses only dairy cows. Measuring 52 feet by 200 feet, the new barn will be home to roughly 30 beef cows, 45 dairy heifers, seven to 10 dry cows, animals not producing milk, and 30 sheep. The new barn is a necessary addition, according to the farm's superintendent, Glenn Dickey.

"With the diversity of livestock here on the farm right now, we really needed a larger facility to house all of them," Dickey said.

With gold shovel in hand, UMaine's President Peter Hoff participated in the ceremonial dig, touching on the event's importance by making reference to other well-known excavation projects.

"While this might not be like Boston's 'big dig,' this groundbreaking is the result of a lot of hard work," Hoff said.

According to Hoff, 87 percent of the funding for the new facility came from the desk of the governor and the state Legislature. Much of the work was the direct result of support from Maine State Sen. Mary Cathcart, who was also at the groundbreaking.

"Agriculture is so important at the University of Maine," Cathcart said Thursday. "We need to invest in the futures of farming, fishing and forestry."

One of the investments for the new barn will be a more compact version of a livestock device called a "squeeze chute." According to Dickey, the cows are led into a small corridor where the sides press in on the animal just enough to hold it in place for activities concerning care for the animal.

The squeeze chute doesn't hurt the animal, and is a necessary part of the Witter Farm for studying the cows.

"These chutes are the safest way to handle the animal, for the sake of those working here," Dickey said.

Preparation work for the new

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Playstation 2 brings followers to local electronics stores

By Amy Bowler
Student Life Reporter

A line formed outside of Best Buy in Bangor at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday morning in anticipation of the Oct. 26 release of Sony's Playstation 2.

"I work here and heard others were going to be out here, so I made my mom come out and wait," said Kurstin Kill of Orono, who was waiting to buy the system as a present for her

husband.

Kill and her mother had been waiting since 10:30 a.m. Pillows, sleeping bags, lawn chairs and sweatshirts weren't the only provisions on hand.

"I brought my cell phone to order food later tonight," said Lynn Conary, Kill's mother. "It's worth one night of suffering to see someone smile Christmas morning."

So, what's the big deal? The new Sony Playstation 2 is not

only a gaming system but doubles as a DVD player, CD player and will soon be hooked onto the Internet so game enthusiasts all over the world can play against each other. And only 500,000 were being released Wednesday in North America, according to playstation.com.

"It's an all-in-one entertainment system," said Best Buy's Department Supervisor Jeremy York.

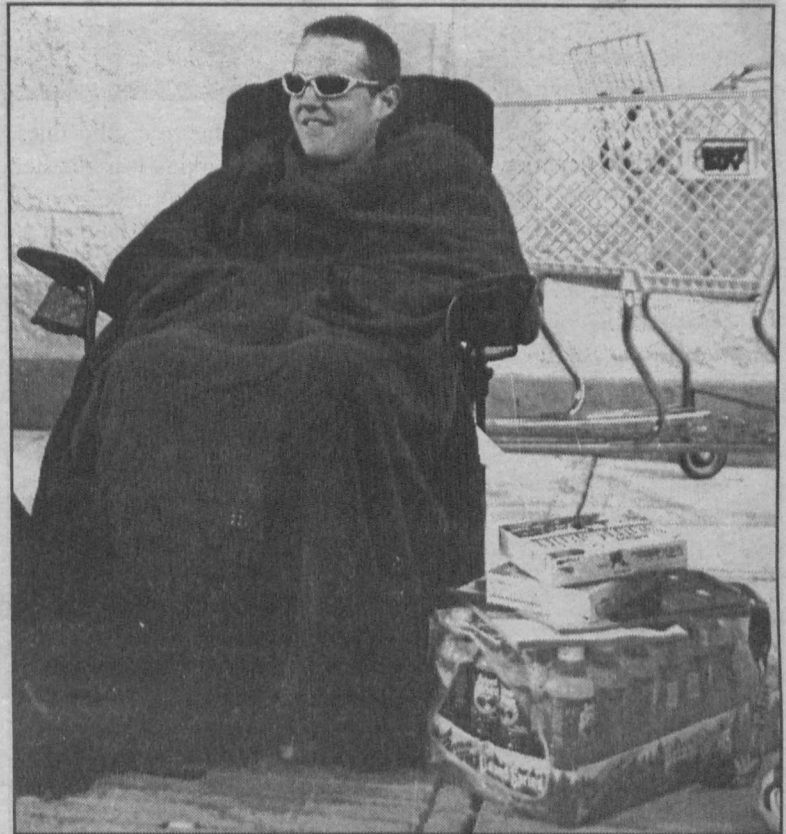
York said the store was prepared for the big release and was setting

up a special area to sell the gaming systems. Tickets were being given out Thursday morning to the people waiting in line to ensure them a Playstation.

York said a limited number of games were being released in addition to the system, along with all the accessories the new Playstation required, such as a remote control to operate the DVD player.

The price of the new Playstation 2 is \$299.99. But York expected the store to sell out early. Appealsal coupons offering discounts on other games will be given to customers still waiting in line after the store runs out of systems. Those still hoping to purchase a Playstation 2 may have better luck in the future, according to playstation.com. Sony plans to release 100,000 systems per week through the holiday season.

"I put in a pre-order in March," said Justin Bellows, a University of Maine student, news editor for *The Campus* and gaming enthusiast. "There's going to be a lot of upset people when they realize that there aren't enough machines to go around. I feel bad for anyone who waits in line all night only to find out that they can't get one."



Jerry Brodsky, a UMaine sophomore, waited in line all night Wednesday outside the Best Buy in Bangor to purchase the \$300 Playstation 2. CAMPUS PHOTO BY ANNE MALCOLM.



People from the Bangor area wait in line outside Best Buy to purchase the Playstation 2. CAMPUS PHOTO BY ANNE MALCOLM.

New Web site to help Franco-Americans

By Beth Haney
Culture Reporter

The Franco-American Center at the University of Maine unveiled a new Web site they created with the department of geography at Laval University in Quebec, Canada.

Yvon Labbe, the director of the Franco-American Center, hopes the site will become a resource for students.

"In the future, we would like to expand the site to make research done by undergraduate and graduate students available," Labbe said.

The official launch happened in Lewiston on Oct. 17. Lisa Michaud, the communications coordinator of the Franco-American Center and the managing editor of *Le Forum*, UMaine's Franco-American newsletter, said the Web launch had a good turn out.

"It was a success," said Michaud. "We had approximately 50 people show up."

The new site is located at www.FrangoMaine.org. The bilingual site contains information on populations, historic roadways and explorers, recent unpublished research, maps and links for more information.

The Franco-American Center is a resource center at UMaine with movies, literature and a library.

Melissa LeVoie, a third-year

social work major, works at the Franco-American Center. She thinks the center is helpful because it is accessible to everyone.

"I think the Franco-American Center is good because you don't have to speak French to come in," LeVoie said.

The Center also does programs on campus. They take part in Mardi Gras, which happens six weeks before Easter in Stodder Commons, Michaud said.

The university also has Franco-American studies, which offers a minor.

Susan Pinette, the director of Franco-American studies, said the program attempts to educate beyond the university.

"The program organizes conferences, film series, public lectures, workshops and reading groups," Pinette said.

Benjamin Cyr, a freshman student civil engineering major, is a Franco-American student. He appreciates both the Franco-American Center and Franco-American studies and feels he will use them while at the university.

"I find the university's resources helpful, yet I have not had adequate time to use them," Cyr said. "I have not taken any classes from Franco-American Studies but I plan to later."

Citizens who were born in the United States and have parents or grandparents who are French-Canadian are considered Franco-

American, Michaud said.

According to the new Web site, there are about 1 million residents in Maine, one-third of which are of French, French-Canadian or Acadian origin. Of that number, about 80,000 use French on a daily basis.

Franco-American students have not been counted in the past, but this year roughly 100 students checked the "Franco-American" box on their registration, Michaud said.

For more information on the Franco-American Center or the new Web site call the Center at 581-3764.

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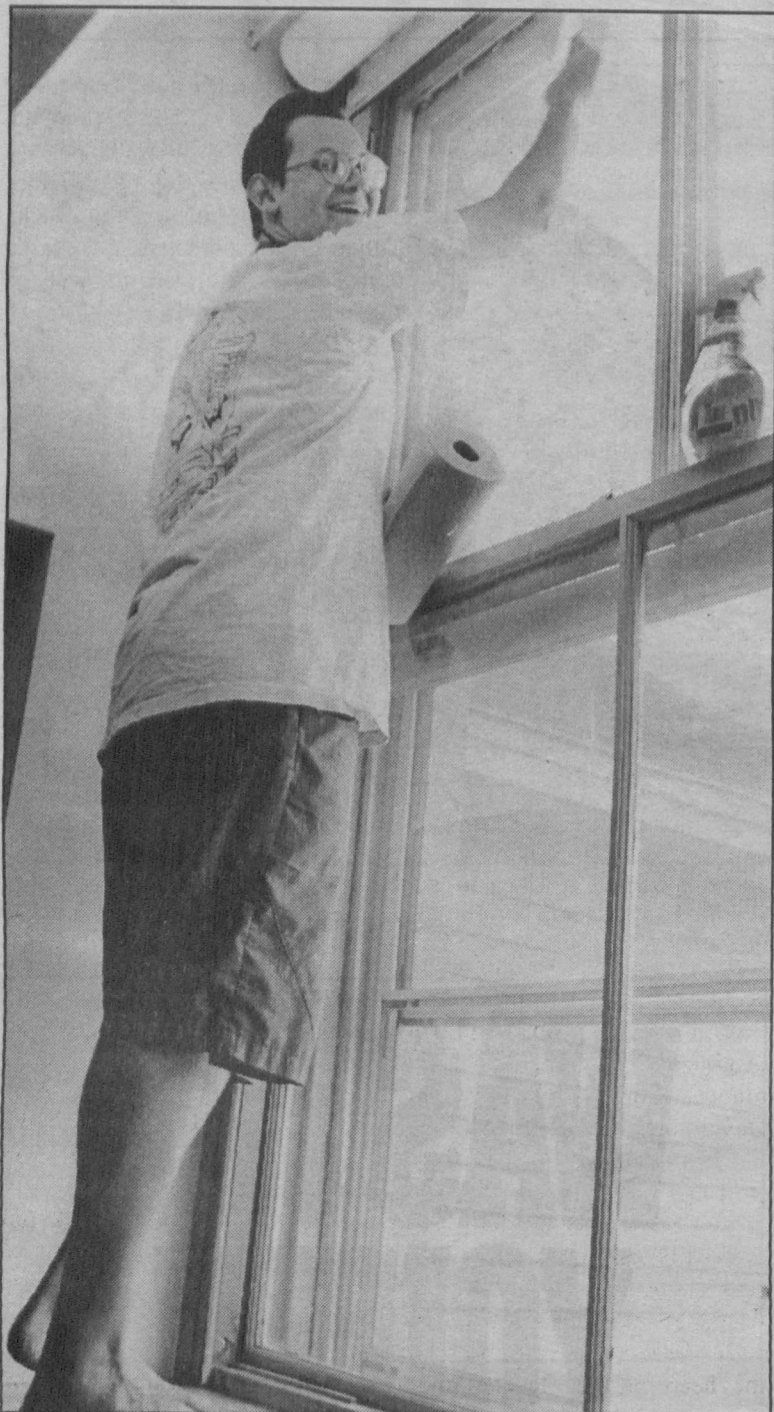
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Make a Difference Day to supplement Homecoming activities



Nick Cloutier, a freshman mass communications major, volunteers his time by cleaning windows at the Main View Apartments for Make a Difference Day on Thursday. CAMPUS PHOTO BY VALERIE DOYLE.

By Kimberly Leonard
Style Editor

Oct. 28 is national Make a Difference Day. The University of Maine, because of Homecoming, will turn Make a Difference Day into a week of helping hands.

According to Muffy Eastman of the Center for Students and Community Life, the extended week offers more opportunities for students to participate in volunteering that is fun and allows for volunteers to meet people.

Projects that have already taken place include washing windows at Main View in Orono and painting at the Greater Bangor-area homeless shelter.

An ongoing project involves the Bangor Children's Museum, which has not yet opened. A group of people have already begun phone calling for the museum following up on a fund-raiser. Volunteers will make phone calls again today from 8:30 a.m. to

12:30 p.m.

The Children's Museum will need a lot of volunteers to open, according to Eastman. Those who wish to help can call Amie Walshe at 262-7200.

Another project is planned on Oct. 27 and 28 at Sprague's Nursery. From 6 to 9 p.m. there will be a need for volunteers at the Haunted Forest.

On Oct. 28 volunteers are needed to help paint the pillars at the Bangor Historical Society from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Lastly, on Oct. 31, Orono High School will host a Halloween House of Safety, which will require volunteers from 4:30 to 8 p.m.

VOICE and the Center for Students and Community Life have teamed up with Orono High School this year.

OHS was a natural choice because they are an award-winning school recognized for service learning.

Two University of Maine stu-

dents, Nick Cloutier of AmeriCorps and Kelly Ann Rush with VOICE, spoke at OHS, giving the sophomore class an inspirational speech, Eastman said.

Prizes will be awarded for this year's observance. Any group or person may enter to win. Written descriptions of the project, a photo, the number of participants and the total number of hours volunteered must be sent to VOICE by Dec. 1.

The prizes will be awarded to the group whose project best meets "an unmet community need," and also to the group with the most service hours.

Co-sponsors of the week include House Revivers, The Home Depot, Bangor Hardware, UMaine Electrical Shop and the Old Town Aubuchon Hardware.

More information can be obtained from Muffy Eastman at 581-4194, VOICE at 581-1796 and www.makeadifferenceday.com.

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the only article of decoration in an otherwise sterile room — changes subjects as quickly as he does expression, flying from abortion, to immigrants, to his beginnings in the field of glaciology at a breakneck pace.

At one point during a harangue on the great blunders of history, Hughes explains gravely that homosexuality was a contributing cause to the fall of the Roman Empire.

"It's a very unhealthy lifestyle," he says. "There's a reason why it was banned in the Old Testament ... [It] takes decades off one's life."

So animated are his gestures, so sincere are his eyes that one might be partially swayed by such

rhetoric.

Born in the Midwest, Hughes was raised a devout Catholic, spending his childhood on his family's ranch in South Dakota before deciding to pursue higher education at the local College of Mines.

Hughes finished up his graduate work in metallurgy at Northwestern in Chicago, and it was there a book on glacier movement sparked his interest.

In 1974 he arrived at the University of Maine to further his studies and subsequently joined the professorial staff in the school of geology.

It was not until six years ago that he became so incensed with what he calls a "complete nega-

tion of humane society" and began his notorious weekly demonstrations before the Memorial Union.

His initial efforts were met with great resistance.

"At first I got this announcement saying that no demonstrations within 50 feet of any building on campus," Hughes remembers. "The cops showed up and told me I had to move 50 feet, and of course I didn't move. They asked me if I had a class that afternoon and I said I did. They told me I would miss that class unless I backed 50 feet away from the building."

He proudly divulges: "I didn't move."

Homecoming

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sponsor an event that provided entertainment to current students during this Homecoming 2000 weekend and felt a free outdoor concert was a great idea."

In the event of inclement weather, a tent will be provided for the crowd to see Miss Fortune. For more information about the band and to sample some of their music, visit www.missf.com.

Other major activities to highlight Homecoming 2000 include:

Friday, Oct. 27

8 p.m. UMaine Hockey vs. Ohio State (Alfond Arena).

Saturday, Oct. 28

10 a.m. Annual Alumni Association Homecoming Crafts Fair & Food Cafe (Field House, also Sunday).

Alumni, Family and Friends Tailgate Picnic.

11 a.m. All You Can Eat

Brunch. (Stewart and York Dining Halls \$3.95 with ID card, others \$5.70)

12 p.m. UMaine Football vs. Rhode Island Rams at Morse Field. Call 581-BEAR for ticket information.

7 p.m. UMaine Hockey vs. Ohio State Buckeyes at Alfond Arena.

Sunday, Oct. 29

12 p.m. UMaine Women's Soccer vs. Drexel

2 p.m. UMaine Men's Basketball Blue & White Game (Alfond Arena).

3:30 p.m. UMaine Women's Basketball Blue & White Game (Alfond Arena)

These events, as well as many more, will fill this Homecoming 2000 weekend with food, games and fun for all who attend.

For more information on Homecoming 2000, visit the The University of Maine Alumni Association's Web site at www.mainealumni.org.

Q3

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their VLT license to bring the video lottery terminals to off-track betting locations around the state. Currently, five off-track betting companies are operating in Maine: Brunswick, Lewiston, Sanford, Waterville

and Bangor.

"If Scarborough Downs is currently or becomes licensed to accept parimutuel wagers at these facilities, Scarborough Downs will have the authority to place a minimum of 1,500 video gam-

bling machines at each of those facilities," Garmey iterated.

Regardless of possible ambiguous wording, ballots have already been printed, and voters will decide on the proposed law as it is currently written.

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Planetarium offers general admission shows Fridays

By Christopher Peary
For The Maine Campus

A trip across the universe may be easier than students may think. An adventure of this magnitude does not require a space suit, zero gravity training or warp drive. Any person at the University of Maine has the ability to visit the stars.

All one has to do is go to the second floor of Wingate Hall and visit the Maynard F. Jordan Planetarium.

The purpose of the planetarium is to provide an effective experience through simulation and a better appreciation for the universe.

Built in 1954, the Jordan Planetarium has the distinction of being the first of its kind in Maine. It is designed after a planetarium at the University of Rhode Island.

The Jordan Observatory, located next to the Maine Center for the Arts, gives weekly star watches.

Alan Davenport has been the director of the Jordan Planetarium for 17 years. With his job comes the responsibility of teaching, administration and creative coordination of the programs. He is a member of the local astronomy club and an avid lover of the stars. Davenport works with several work-study students and another professional employee.

No degree programs are handled through the planetarium, although it is sometimes used as a resource for astronomy classes. The facility is a public service to the campus and community. It hosts school groups, private

groups and the general public.

Davenport feels that education should be entertaining. A program at the planetarium consists of "edutainment," a combination of educational material and entertainment.

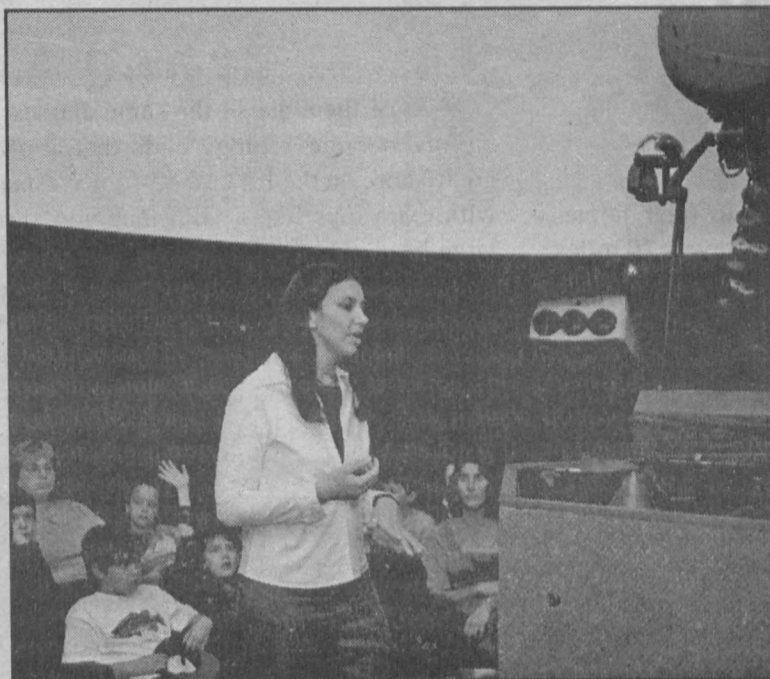
Several general admission programs are offered. Three one-hour Friday evening shows, scheduled to run throughout the semester, begin at 7 p.m.

Another program, "Even-Odd Tuesdays," offers a point-out at the planetarium sky on even-numbered Tuesdays, and a space-related video on odd-numbered Tuesdays. These programs begin at 1 p.m. University students are admitted for free providing space is available. They can also get advanced tickets.

Last year the planetarium ceased providing public shows, although it was open to private and school groups. This was done because new programs were being developed and the facility was undergoing a technological upgrade. The planetarium is open again this semester, with an improved facility designed to make a person's visiting experience even better.

To get a full understanding of the work that is involved in preparing a program, tour Alan Davenport's office. This is the epitome of the whole planetarium. It is the ticket window, a merchandise stockroom and a creative center.

Quiet, celestial music plays throughout the whole facility. On his desk sits a computer, which helps manufacture the various types of media used in



The Maynard Planetarium offers both public and private shows. It is often filled with elementary school children visiting UMaine for an educational field trip. CAMPUS PHOTO BY SCOTT SHELTON.

the planetarium, including video and slides. Thanks to the Internet, Davenport can research up-to-date astronomical developments.

Beyond Davenport's office is the technical room, where the components of a show are put together. Here Davenport and his assistants build special effects and maintain equipment. This is where some of the technology upgrades have been made.

One of the new additions to the planetarium is a Digital audio workstation. The program soundtracks are mixed on a computer and played on a hard drive audio player. The DAW eliminates the need for magnetic tape. All information is stored on a hard drive. The

planetarium has new speakers and amplifiers installed. Four speakers and two subwoofers surround the planetarium dome. A large black control panel, resembling a prop from the original "Star Trek," faces the planetarium. This is where Davenport controls the action.

The planetarium dome is 20 feet in diameter. The room seats 45.

"It's an environment that is three-dimensional," Davenport said, "something you cannot get from television or the movies."

In the center of the room sits the heart of the planetarium, a Spitz 373 projector named "Franklin." This odd looking, spherical machine projects the stars onto the dome.

Past the planetarium is the

lobby, where visitors enter and exit. A mural of the solar system is painted across its walls.

A typical show at the planetarium consists of a soundtrack, theme and characters. No laser shows are performed. Subjects of the shows range from the purely scientific, such as studies of the constellations, to cultural, such as a program showing how slaves escaped to Canada by using stars to navigate.

In the program "Destination Mars," for example, visitors wait outside the lobby entrance until 7 p.m. An educational slide show about Mars is projected onto a wall in the lobby. Davenport addresses the group with a short overview of what the presentation is going to be about. Visitors are then led into the planetarium, where a show combining video, slides and realistic star projections is presented.

For a truly realistic look at the universe, the Jordan Observatory is open to the public on clear Friday evenings and alternate Saturdays from 9 to 11 p.m. Those interested may go to the heavens through the 8-inch Alvin Clark refractor telescope.

There is a lot of work put into a production at the Jordan Planetarium. Alan Davenport admits that he is limited on time to develop his shows and run them. He hopes people walk away from the shows with "a sense of appreciation for the beauty and complexity of the universe and a desire to learn more."

Phi Kap plans haunted house tonight

By Emily Herrin
For The Maine Campus

If you're looking to be scared stupid for the sake of a good cause, look no further than the Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity house tonight from 4:30 to 11 p.m.

The brothers at Phi Kappa will continue a four-year tradition by celebrating Halloween with a haunted house.

Held at their own house at 89 College Ave., event proceeds from the \$3 admission will go directly to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. The money will then be used to fund cancer research on a local and national level.

"The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society is the benefit charity chosen by our national chapter," said Brad Worcester, head of public relations at the fraternity's Orono chapter. "All fund-raisers done by Phi Kappa Sigma are for them."

The haunted house fund-raiser has been successful in past years, Worcester said. Last year the fraternity raised about \$900.

The tours, which will last roughly 10 minutes, will lead visitors through various areas of the house's interior. Parts of the basement, first floor and the sec-

ond floor will all be decorated for the stroll of horror.

While Worcester wouldn't go into gruesome detail about the sorts of frights to be expected, he did offer a rough synopsis of what to expect.

"The last couple of years, we would kind of make up things to scare people with as we went along, so it was changing throughout the night," Worcester said. "The only thing I can tell you right now is that it's going to



CAMPUS PHOTO BY SCOTT SHELTON.

be dark."

The fraternity's spokesman said that the event was a combined effort of more than 30 people, members and nonmembers of the house included.

"We all work on the house, putting it together, with most of the larger details being done throughout the week," Worcester said, adding the final touches should be done today.

This year is the first time the haunted house will be accompanied by a live radio broadcast. Bangor station Z107.3 will be on-hand giving out "spooktacular prize packages" from 7 to 8:30 p.m., as well as doing live radio spots.

While the event is slated to end one hour before midnight, Worcester noted that the brothers would make accommodations for those late-night howlers.

"The end of the haunted house really depends on the amount of people we get — if there's a big rush at the end, we'll keep letting people come in," Worcester said. "It's for a good cause."

Costumes and masks are optional, but fun is expected to be had by all.

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Fournier service private; gift account created

Funeral services for Richard P. Fournier Jr., the University of Maine student who died on Monday, will be private.

Anyone wishing to make a contribution in his memory can do so through the Biochemistry,

Microbiology and Molecular Biology Gift Account, in care of professor John Singer. The mailing address is 373 Hitchner Hall, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04469. The account supports student awards and student activities.

Cow

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barn has already begun. A 39 foot by 60 foot hay barn was moved from the spot the new structure will sit and bids for the construction project were sent out recently. However, the barn may not actually be completed for a few months, according to Dickey.

"We're hoping to see the barn completed by mid-winter, but it could take longer," Dickey said. "Once the ground freezes, construction slows down."

Regardless of when the new facility is completed, students involved in operation of the Witter Farm are excited about the prospects it will offer. Nicole Rudnicki, a junior forestry major, is looking forward to the conversion the old heifer barn will undergo.

"The old barn will be converted into a livestock arena," Rudnicki said. "Aside from walking cows, the arena could also be used for riding horses."

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Living a semester by the sea

By Stanley Dankoski
Maine Campus City Editor

While most traditional students do their homework at the library, Natasha Watson travels 20 miles off the shore of Maine in a research vessel, 100 miles from Orono, to scrape the bottom of the sea.

The University of Maine junior marine biology major has to find 100 species of sea life that have no backbone in order to study how they are effected by the water.

Most of them are in the same classes, including the invertebrate zoology class that allows them to go offshore on the Ira C, a 42-foot Wesmac finished with extra toys like a GPS mapping system and a large head, which serves as a darkroom.

Other lecture classes are taught by more than one professor. There are only 10 faculty at the Darling Center, and with only five undergrads there on a consistent basis, having at least two professors teach a class only benefits the students, Watson says.

"I like the fact that there's more professors than students," Watson says. "There's no chance for the professors to BS here."

The Darling Center also holds a maze of interconnecting pipes that pump water from the Damariscotta River estuary into water flumes, which run water over tubs of invertebrate species that are sometimes buried in sand.

Watson is studying water dynamics and its effects on deep-sea life, and the flumes help her identify those effects by pinpointing ripples in the water.

The Semester by the Sea program has been offered off and on over the past few years, but, beginning this semes-

ter, it has become a permanent fixture in the marine school, says Kevin Eckelbarger, director of the Darling Center.

The SBS program is growing, he says. It is especially big in the summer, as part of their summer courses, with 30 to 40 of them here for about a 10-week period. Internships are also available.

Although SBS is geared toward junior and senior marine biology majors, the program is offered to students of any major of equivalent grade level, says Jim McCleave, associate director (and unofficial undergraduate coordinator) of SBS.

However, students are immersed in the program completely, Eckelbarger says.

"It is an intense experience to say the least," he says. "If you're interested in marine biology, you'll want to go through here."

Eckelbarger says he finds that students are smart but haven't really been challenged. The SBS program forces students to get serious.

The Darling Center offers the students a great opportunity to learn different types of aquacultural technology.

"We want students to go anywhere in the world and know what to do," Eckelbarger says.

The intensity of the program has proven challenging and fun for this year's SBS group.

"This group of students are a surprise to me," Eckelbarger says. "We almost have to push them out of the lab."

He recalls a story he heard of another professor who finished a lecture, but the students continued to ask questions. The professor would answer them with smaller lectures. When the professor went back to the office, it was 2-1/2 hours later.

When they do bottom drags of the sea out on the Ira C, several miles out of the Damariscotta River estuary, they start at 9 a.m. and don't finish until 9 p.m.

"I haven't heard students complain about staying up late," Eckelbarger says.

About 20 sophomore students in the sciences do have field trips once in a while, McCleave said.

However, they do not live there as the SBS students do. The undergraduate dormitory at the center



She is at the Darling Marine Center in Walpole, Maine, a small coastal town near Damariscotta. Only four other undergraduates live there with her as part of the Semester by the Sea program.

However, they are not completely alone. The Darling Center, created in 1965, is world-renown for its marine science facilities, bringing scientists from all over the globe to join UMaine professors.

Some of those professors came to the center to study for themselves, when the SBS program began, about the same time the School of Marine Sciences started on the Orono campus.

Now the researchers work with graduate students (some of which come from other universities across the state and nation) and the four SBS students.

Watson joins Michelle Mansell, Grant Christian, Llew Sullivan and Davin O'Connell in the SBS program this semester.



Natasha Watson



Michelle Mansell



Davin O'Connell



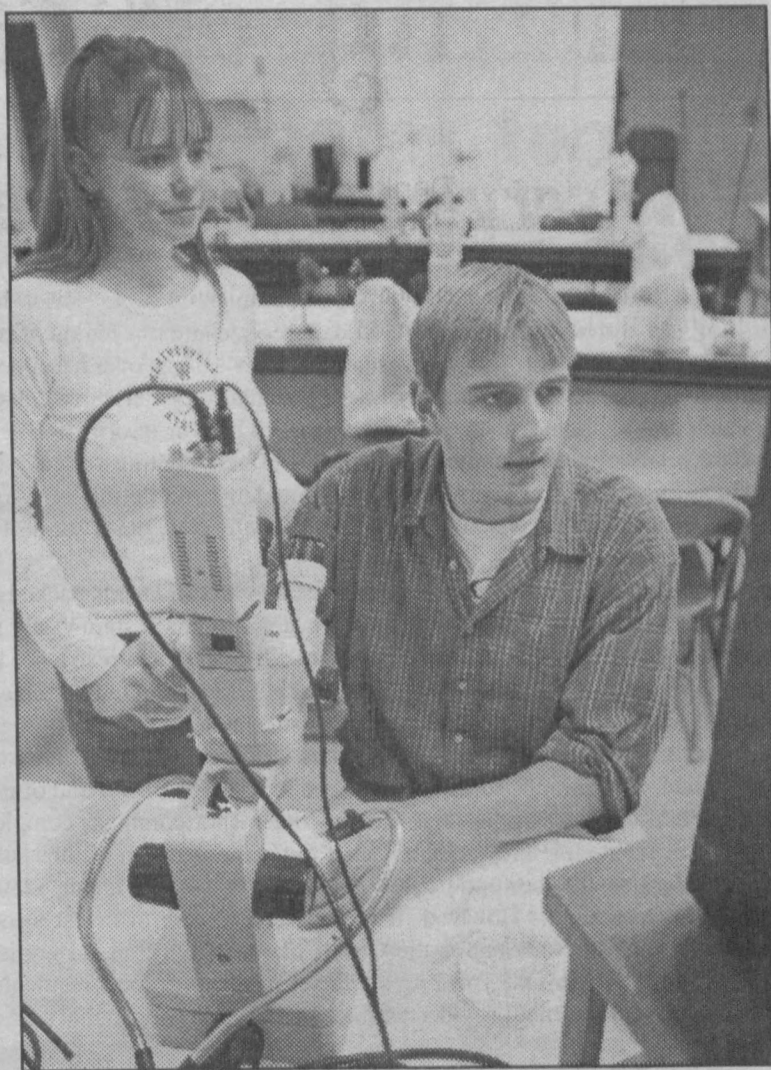
Grant Christian



Llew Sullivan



Students put their education to work on the Maine coast



is able to hold at least six times the size of this semester's group.

"Five is too low," McCleave says.

When the School of Marine Sciences began the SBS program in the early 1990s, they expected at least 20 students. The biggest SBS group formed last fall with a total of eight undergraduates.

It's hard to predict how many students will apply for the program, which occurs only in the fall semester, McCleave says.

There is hope, though, he says. There are about 20 to 24 sophomore students the marine school is actively encouraging.

"If we get half of them, that's already more than any group we've had," McCleave says.

The five undergraduates there agree.

"It would only help the program to have more kids down here," Grant Christian of Holden says. "It's just that no one knows about it."

The Semester by the Sea program is only an elective now, Eckelbarger says, adding he doesn't expect it to become a mandatory course.

"We want students to be motivated and adventuresome," he says. "They'll either love it or hate it."

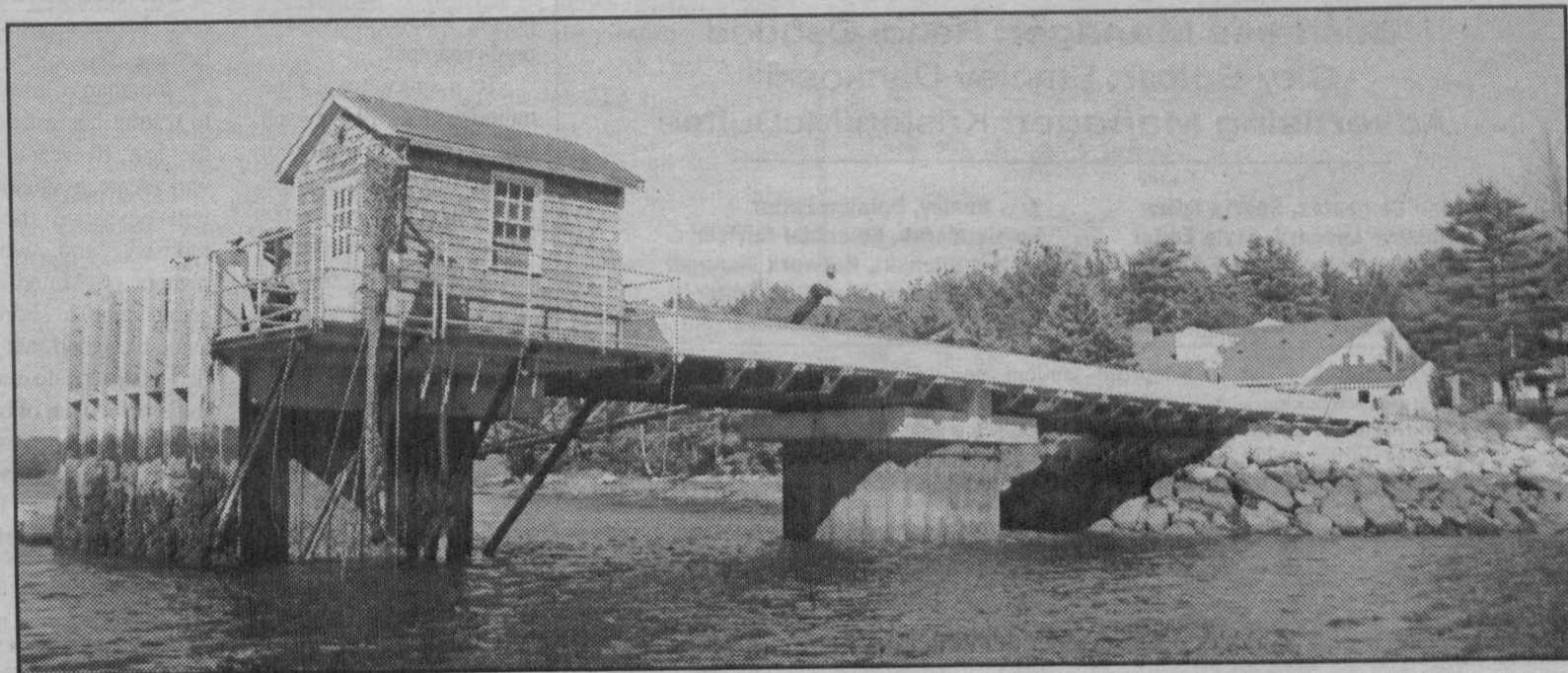
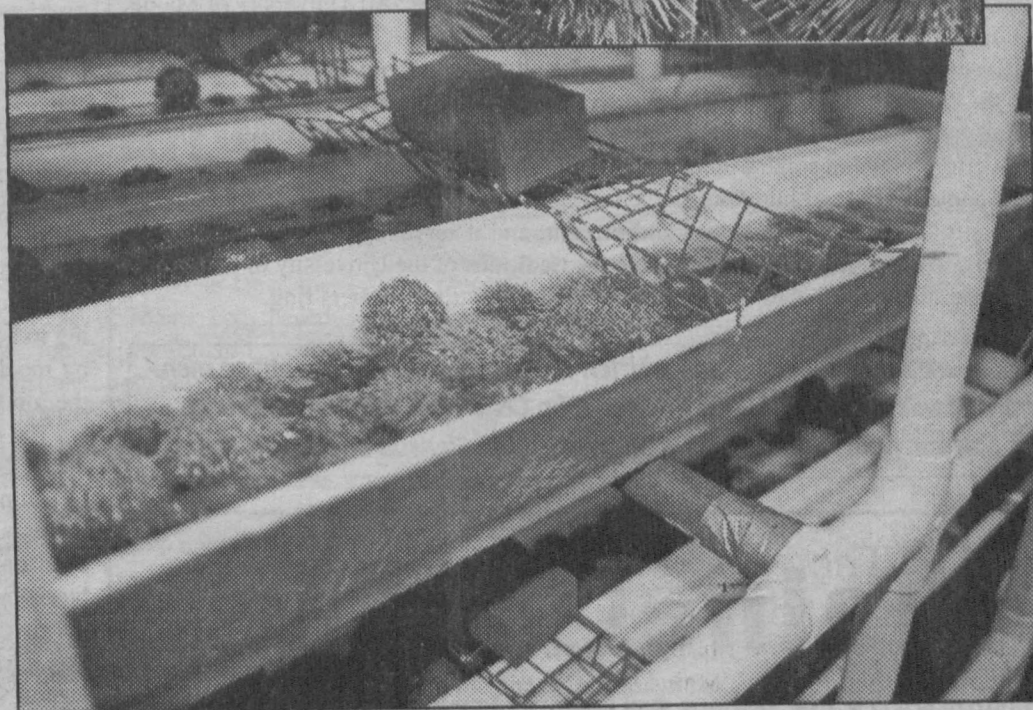
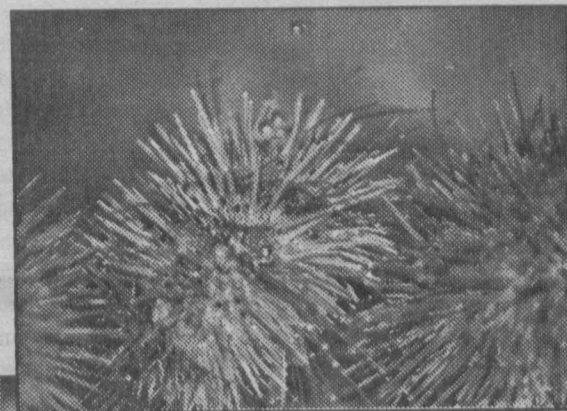
They just received the ability to access FirstClass e-mail, as well as getting a subscription to the Bangor Daily News, only just this week. Campus mail comes and goes only on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Only a few issues of *The Maine Campus* have found their way there.

Because of this, the group has dubbed themselves "the forgotten five."

The first month or so is known to be difficult for students to adjust to. The program exposes students into the hands-on environment.

"They find it too quiet here at first, but they then realize they have no distractions," Eckelbarger says.

"There are no need for all-nighters here," Watson says. "It just doesn't work here. It's refreshing to have peace and quiet."



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Scott Shelton

EDITORIAL

New service creates questions

Adelphia, greater Bangor's sole commercial cable carrier, has recently introduced residential cable modem service into this region of central Maine, providing the people of this area with a long overdue alternative to dial-up Internet service. Cable modems use a standard coaxial cable, identical to the kind which provide homes with cable television, to deliver information at rates far superior to the relatively small amounts that may be effectively transferred over a standard telephone line using a conventional dial-up modem. While this is a significant upgrade over what has been available in this region until now, plans for still greater improvements are already afoot.

Fiber-optic line uses hundreds of tiny spun glass filaments packed into a tight cable-like bundle to deliver digital information using light, a system vastly superior to coaxial cable as it does not suffer from the same distortion and resistance problems as electrical copper wiring. Even now fiber optic line is being laid in sufficient quantity to one day allow Adelphia to offer its customers still larger bandwidths.

The University of Maine already runs its on-campus local area network on fiber-optic line. Off-campus students are forced to resort to slower and often altogether unreliable dial-up connections that, among other shortcomings, completely monopolize whatever phone line they are connected to for the duration of their use.

Conversion to fiber-optic cable is expensive, costing about \$250,000 per mile to install underground. However, if the university were to invest a modest \$3,000,000 (roughly the same amount as the Coca-Cola subsidy), it could lay its own fiber-optic cable in the Orono-Old Town area and set itself up to local residents and off-campus students as an Internet provider with technology superior to that of Adelphia's.

Fill the steins to dear old Maine

Homecoming weekend is upon us and with it comes the flurry of activity that accompanies the thousands of returning footsteps of University of Maine alumni. The bear paw footprints have all been repainted and, beginning at 2:30 p.m. today, the schedule of events for proud Orono grads is booked full.

With seven athletic events featuring four different university teams, numerous Greek events and specialty events for returning RAs, RDs, University Singers, former band members and engineering alumni, there is an event for almost everyone. In fact, more than 25 events are scheduled for Homecoming 2000.

A two-day craft fair in the field house begins at 10 a.m. Saturday morning. A large amount of vendors and organizations will be on hand, including *The Maine Campus*, who will raffle off a stick and jersey autographed by the 2000-2001 University of Maine men's hockey team.

Conferences, breakfasts and banquets will take place throughout the weekend, to give Alumni the chance to catch up on campus events, and catch up with old friends.

Current students, who may think Homecoming has nothing to offer them, should make the effort to attend some events and meet the people who lived in the same dorms, sat in the same desks, and hung out in the same bars decades ago. Homecoming is for all University of Maine students past and present, and it serves as a chance for alumni and students to come together and celebrate the traditions of the University of Maine, so this weekend, fill the steins to dear old Maine and drink till the rafters ring.

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Letters to the Editor

• Public Safety

Those grins over at Public Safety are at it again. Just this very morning I bet a Public Safety officer awoke, put on his or her uniform and promptly decided to make life miserable for every UMaine student he or she possibly could.

Why else would someone turn down a much cushier profession working 9-5 in a climate controlled office, making two or three times what any civil servant does, if not because they get a kick out of staying up all night dealing with obnoxious, drunken college students who feel it is their right to do as they please now that Mom and Dad are miles away?

Public Safety officers have the luck of being employed in a profession where they are damned if they do, and damned if they don't. If they enforce the laws, they are being hard-nosed, but if they are lax and don't enforce the laws, then crime goes up and they are called ineffectual.

Public Safety works hard on this campus to give us an environment conducive to the best college experience possible, and yet none of the officers get a fraction of the credit they deserve. How would any of us feel after putting in day after day's work only to have the very people you are working to keep safe thank you by mocking both you and the job you do?

The men and women of the Public Safety Department are by no means power hungry tyrants, out to tread on our civil liberties, break our spirits, or make our lives generally miserable. I have had the privilege of speaking with a few of the officers and have thus met some of the nicest, most tolerant and open-minded people I have encountered on this campus.

To a spiky, royal blue-haired weirdo like myself, who is by no means a completely law-abiding angel, they have been much kinder than the majority of students I have encountered in the two and a half years I have been here. To the entire Public Safety Department, thank you for a job well done.

Robyn Fogarty
York

The Maine Campus

Thumbs Up, Thumbs Down

Shawn Walsh- Welcome back and get well soon.

Homecoming- Margaritas opens at 11a.m. Need we say more?

Fall weather- Another gorgeous week. High temps and blue skies help keep cabin fever at bay.

Construction- Will it ever end? Road repairs all over Orono and Old Town make getting to campus a bigger headache than usual.

Semester by the sea- Low enrollment could be better at the Darling Center.

Parking- New commuter lots aren't helping on-campus drivers.

• Question 2

Julia Hall's perceptive article on referendum Question two in the October 20 *Campus* hits the core of the issue- restrictions on cutting based on the last 10 years' growth. I have been involved directly in the forest industry since I was in high school in the 1930s, and have seen many ups and downs. I feel that today, the forest industry of Maine faces the brightest future ever. It has an excellent infrastructure of mills of many types with sophisticated machines and highly skilled workers who can utilize its forest resource. Good management of our forests will bring the growth rate up to exceed the current difference between growth and harvest.

Jonathan Carter's plan to restrict harvest based on the last 10 years' growth will create a situation that will devastate the forest industry and woodland owners of Maine. It will create such a shortage of available wood that at least two or three pulp and paper mills will go out of business and numerous sawmills and woodworking plants will shut their doors. Further, with such restrictions,

woodland owners will have to reassess their options, one of which could result in a major restriction of access the people of Maine have always had.

How might this affect you as a student if you want to stay in Maine? Any industry has a multiplier factor based on the companies and organization that it needs to supply and support it. It is about a factor of two for the forest industry here. This means that the loss of a job in the industry means other job losses, resulting in many people competing for the position that might make it possible for you to stay in the state.

Jonathan Carter dislikes the "gigantic multi-national corporations," however, the week before the last referendum, his multi-millionaire friends sponsored a number of very deceptive TV spots showing low angle shots of old clearcuts. Will this be repeated? Don't be fooled. This referendum is not about clearcutting. It appears to be about damaging the economy of the state of Maine. Read it carefully and vote wisely.

Richard A. Hale
Orono

OPINION

Backpacks tote more than books

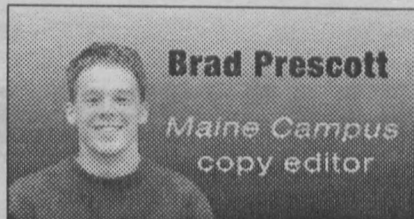
To keep this campus running smoothly students and faculty alike depend on the different tools of the education trade. Many rely on cars and bikes to get to class. If you have to finish up on that calculus homework you're sure to need pencils and paper. And what about computers? Communication would be much slower and more cumbersome without the aid of the hundreds of machines on campus. These are all of great assistance to the educators and educatees running around the university, but one item remains a must-have above all else: the backpack.

Almost everyone on campus totes their books and other possessions in a similar fashion; many never leave home without donning their trusty L.L. Bean or Eastpack. The backpack is a staple of college life, so much more than just a means of transporting textbooks back and forth to class.

Have you ever seen students walking around Saturday night with a bulging pack in tow? I doubt the library is high on the priority list for their weekend plans, but the backpacks follow just the same. Come Friday afternoon students across campus dump the scholastic contents of their packs into a dusty dorm room corner and load

them with the gear of a week-end survival pack.

Don't pretend you don't know what I'm talking about; we've all been there. Neglected science books make way for Natty Lite 12-packs; pencils and calculators are replaced by



Brad Prescott

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toothbrushes and CDs. The seemingly innocent bookbags are converted into arsenals of the night, preparing the owners for whatever drunken situations may arise.

There are many different types of packs available now, appealing to every user niche. While the classic packs still prevail, dozens of outdoors-oriented models and messenger bags are becoming increasingly popular. Some are adorned with initials or nicknames, in case you can't quite identify "JBM" or "Zoe" by haircut alone. Others prefer the audio method of identification, latching oodles of tacky keychains and dollar-store keepsakes to their backs to produce a symphony of plastic and metal.

My personal pack of choice falls under the L.L. Bean out-

door category, streamlined of most bells and whistles but complete with waist and chest straps for those heavy loads. There are even mesh pockets on the side to hold my water bottle and coffee mug, keeping them close at hand in the event of a hydration emergency. The pockets are simple and easy-to-use, and everything I could possibly wish to carry is within seconds of my grasp.

While carrying books and weekend gear is essential for campus survival, one's backpack can be handy for summer as well. Toss in some sunscreen, a blanket and a swimsuit and you're ready to hit the beach. I even have one friend who, lacking a cooler, filled his Eastpack with ice and kept his beverages of choice chilled for a day of ice-cold refreshment.

So as you dump the notebooks and three-ring binders onto the floor this afternoon and load up for a weekend of excitement, take a minute to appreciate your own backpack. Fix that strap that's been loose for a while or clean off last weekend's vomit. Your backpack does so much for you, show some gratitude.

Brad Prescott is a third-year economics major.

Candidates too P.C. for their own good

On Monday I sat and watched a group of middle aged former politicians be politically incorrect. They made fun of republicans, democrats, foreigners, locals, all races and nationalities, Hillary Clinton, and Jewish/Italian boys from Long Island. They weren't prejudiced, they ragged on everyone!

They were the Capitol Steps, a political satire group, and they were hilarious. Their unfettered refusal to make sure they didn't offend anyone really got me thinking, and I came to the conclusion that our society has become too politically correct for its own good.

With the presidential elections drawing nearer and nearer every day, voters are asking themselves how they are going to choose between two practically identical middle of the road candidates. Gore and Bush agree on so many issues and try so hard not to step on the toes of any particular group or persons that it makes one wonder if they have any real opinions of their own.

I think we deserve to hear what the candidates really think. Personally, I would like to know what George Bush really cares about, not how he thinks the surplus would be well spent to accommodate the majority, or how he thinks abortion is wrong except in specific cases. I really don't believe that these are the thoughts burning deep within his soul.

Both Gore and Bush speak with such obviously scripted messages that it's hard to take what they say at face value. It's pretty clear that when they address the American public they are not being honest.

I want to know what is really important to them, what kind of people they are, and then I can say that I know my candidates well enough to make an informed decision. Instead, I am force fed a carefully

rehearsed dialogue of messages that are made to appease the majority of registered voters.

Sure, it's cool that they don't want to offend anybody;

I'm not saying they should. We have come such a long way as a country as far as civil rights are concerned that

to speak casually and without thought would be moving backwards. Instead of trying so hard to be politically correct the candidates should try harder to be real. Even better; they shouldn't have to try. Not being a fake politician who lies and makes promises that he can't keep to everyone should come naturally!

Unfortunately, I know what kind of world we live in, and regurgitated ideas that almost everyone can live with is what wins the election. This needs to change.

Instead of tiptoeing around the issues and having debates where each candidate is afraid to go too far because they might upset someone, we should get rid of the precedents and let these guys speak freely, without fear and without cowardice.

This country prides itself on freedom of expression, but when power can only be gained by holding back ideas, the first amendment becomes counter productive. There is a fear of freedom within all of us, which stops us from being true to ourselves and to others. I want to hear what the future president of our country has to say, and if he offends me, great! At least I will know what he truly believes. I don't want a stranger to be running my country.

Julia Hall is a first-year journalism major.



Julia Hall

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Language barrier affects learning

While shopping for traditional school supplies this August, I probably should have consulted the United Nations as well as the Bookstore. While watching a clip of a UN meeting a few

Handwriting can sometimes be no better and much worse. The text on the board seems to have been written with someone's foot. I've had professors in the past who seemed to be fluent in hieroglyphics and would continually choose to demonstrate it in class. It looks great, but I'm not Egyptian.

The obvious solution to these problems is to ask the instructor to either slow down or clarify what is not understood. Most teachers are very good at this and I always thank them. Sometimes though, it's just too much; I feel that I should probably skip the class and try to buy a written transcript like you can for talk shows and things like that.

None of this is to say that any professor or instructor on campus is unqualified to teach. All of the professors had to fill the necessary requirements to instruct, which in many cases included earning a Ph.D. No small task for any student, much less one whose primary language is not English. Secondly, I have never felt that any professor lacked the adequate knowledge to instruct. It's always the language barrier that makes class

time so difficult.

My two most favorite professors that I have had so far at the University of Maine both hailed from foreign, non-English speaking nations. Both have accents and yet both communicate in English very well. I am constantly amazed at their knowledge of the subject as well as their mastery of the spoken word (both speak numerous languages). I just wish that I could have the same luck with all professors, regardless of their nationality or anything else.

I probably sound like an ignorant American jerk who'll never learn anything but English because he thinks he won't have to. I guess that you can make the decision on that. All I ask is that all instructors take time to make sure that everything said and written is clear to all students. Anything that helps diversify our campus should be appreciated, but a quote from a friend's professor I think says it best. On the first day of class the instructor announced, "I'll teach you chemistry if you teach me English."

Adam Boynton is a third-year journalism major.

Adam Boynton

Maine Campus
columnist

moons ago, I noticed several participants in the meeting, including W.J. Clinton, wearing electronic devices, which automatically translate foreign languages to English. Since the first week of school I've been looking for one—I have professors from far away lands that I just can't seem to understand.

Perhaps you've had the same problem. While scribbling notes during a lecture, the professor's accent alters your familiar pronunciation of a few words. Suddenly, nothing you've written makes sense. Worse yet, you stop to decide which word the instructor was going for and become washed over by the wave of information to become lost for the rest of class.

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Welcome back University of Maine Alumni

Friday, October 27

2:30 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Hofstra

5:00 p.m. University of Maine Hall of Fame Induction Banquet: Wells Commons Social 5:00 p.m., Dinner 6:00 p.m. Tickets: Call (207) 581-BEAR.

5:00 p.m. Brothers, Sweethearts and Friends of Sigma Chi Gather at the Sigma Chi Heritage House, 101 College Avenue "Chowder and Conversation".

6:00 p.m. 21st Annual College of Engineering Recognition Banquet Sheraton Four Points Hotel, Bangor. Social 6:00 p.m., Dinner 7:00 p.m. Call (207) 581-2216 for tickets.

8:00 p.m. University of Maine Black Bear Hockey Team vs. Ohio State

Wells Commons. Call (207) 581-1078 for details.

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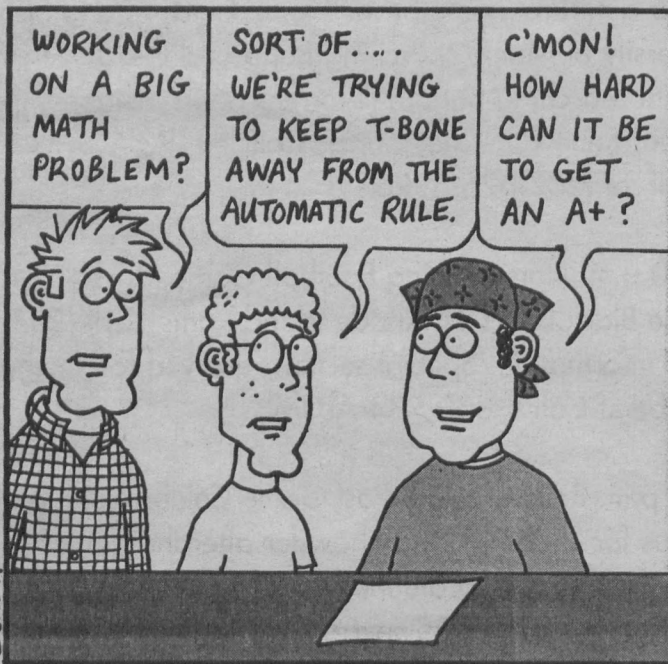
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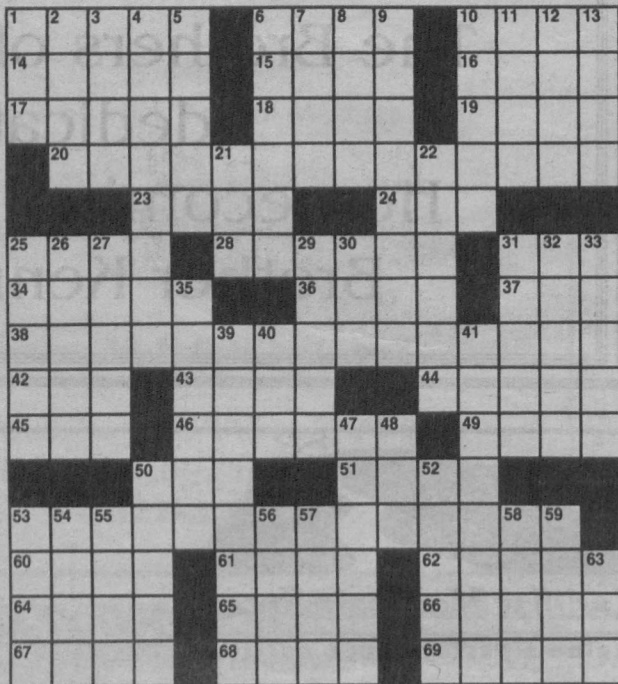
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- 16 "Essays of —," 1823
- 17 It's tucked under the chin
- 18 Farmer's prayer, perhaps
- 19 1994 Jodie Foster film
- 20 Valentine present?
- 23 Parisian parent
- 24 Motorists' org.

- 25 Piedmont wine center
- 28 Passionate
- 31 Not to mention
- 34 Grassy plain
- 36 1953 Pulitzer playwright
- 37 "Turandot" slave
- 38 Valentine present?
- 42 Pithecanthropus relative
- 43 Fare
- 44 Iota
- 45 Composer Rorem
- 46 On-the-job learner
- 49 Fish, to herons
- 50 Lineman
- 51 Monique's eye
- 53 Valentine present!

- 60 Delete
- 61 Overly bookish sort
- 62 Pharmacy solutions
- 64 Naysaying
- 65 Just the —
- 66 Prom dress material
- 67 50 + percent
- 68 Substitute for the unnamed
- 69 Certain fisherman

DOWN

- 1 Year Claudius died
- 2 The East
- 3 Trudge
- 4 Popular parade horse
- 5 Urban air pollution
- 6 "Gigi" lyricist
- 7 Five-star Bradley
- 8 Gallic girlfriend
- 9 Spanish dance
- 10 Setting for Verdi's "Simon Boccanegra"
- 11 Pub quaffs
- 12 Nettle
- 13 Comrades
- 21 Pitching stat.
- 22 Honey badgers
- 25 Berg of "Lulu" fame
- 26 Incline
- 27 Burdened
- 29 Electron tube



Puzzle by Nancy S. Ross

- 30 Abbr. at the bottom of a letter
- 31 Modify
- 32 Agnes, to Cecil B.
- 33 Somewhat dark
- 35 In the — (likely to happen)
- 39 Abridge
- 40 Tap word
- 41 Sewn-on cutout design
- 47 Short poem on two rhymes

- 48 Bottom line
- 50 Suffer a humiliating loss, in slang
- 52 Breathing fire
- 53 Course finale
- 54 Talking during a film, e.g.

- 55 Fortitude
- 56 Crux
- 57 Humorist Bombeck
- 58 Nonexistent
- 59 Severe blow
- 63 Homily: Abbr.

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To ensure the continued presence of The Campus at UMaine, the staff of The Maine Campus is beginning a fund-raising effort to ensure our survival and continued growth.

In its 125th year, *The Maine Campus* has hit a financial snag. However, many things about *The Maine Campus*, specifically the student control and input, have not changed. The paper is by, for and of the students.

The students who run the paper, the editors, go through all the toils and troubles of professional editors and, additionally, are full-time students.

On production nights, many of the editors are in the office editing stories, writing stories (when there is extra room to be filled), writing editorials, doing layout for their section and copy editing. Along with the EIC, many of the editors work 50-plus hour weeks.

But the staff doesn't stop there; it is a mere skim off the top of the barrel. The ad managers, business managers, photographers, writers, copy editors, production managers, circulation managers and assistants all are an intricate part in publishing and maintaining the only thrice-weekly college newspaper in the state.

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Beyond simply being a job for students, *The Maine*

Campus provides an atmosphere that allows growth. Many students who start at *The Campus* as writers rise through the ranks to editorial positions. Many find a surrogate family at the paper and forge connections that continue long after graduation.

We also want to forge a better connection with our readers. One way we will do this is by introducing our staff to the public on this page. Look for profiles of *Maine Campus* staff in coming editions, helping to illuminate the critical role students play in bring *The Campus* to the University of Maine community.

We, as a staff, while not new to the paper, have moved into management positions and are a new team. As we settled into these positions we found problems, both in finance and management, and have begun working through them. Our desire is to raise enough money to satisfy both immediate needs and long-term goals. We are prepared to take responsibility for this situation and want to ensure it does not happen to future *Maine Campus* staff members. As a team we are working in concert with the university administration to develop a plan to put *The Maine Campus* back on track.

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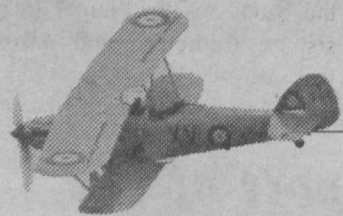
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Style & ARTS



Ready... set... jump!

By Mike McFarland
For The Maine Campus

Ready... set ... JUMP! Three simple words. Three simple words that aren't so simple when they mean leaping off the wing of a plane soaring at 10,500 feet. Add the speed of the plane and it's a lot like crawling out of the sunroof of a car going 100 miles per hour and leaping off into the air.

Except, of course, for the fact the earth looks like a collection of multi-colored postage stamps from that height, and the idea that your body is about to hit terminal velocity for the first time.

This is the rush of all rushes. This is the adrenaline kick of all adrenaline kicks. This is skydiving.

I know because on Saturday, Oct. 14, I and a friend took that leap at Central Maine Skydiving in Pittsfield. Fifty seconds of freefall at 150 miles per hour; five and a half thousand feet of descent. Nothing matches this experience. I've spent years skiing fast, jumping off bridges and cliffs into water, whitewater kayaking and a whole catalog of other things that could be called extreme. Skydiving is absolutely unparalleled.

My friend and I arrived at Central Maine Skydiving at 7:30 a.m. the morning of the jump. We were two amongst a group of eight people who were planning on

jumping. There was an intensity in the air. We could feel the expectation making our skin prickle and tingle. It feels like electricity in the air; like watching a violent lightning storm from a short distance and feeling the static.

belief.

Instruction was quite basic; how to fall correctly, when to pull the ripcord, the various signals that might be used during the fall and how to fly a parachute. It was no SAT but it was vital. There is

ize you're not buying it and chill out.

The plane trip took us about fifteen minutes. We slowly spiraled off into the sky, climbing higher and higher, until the ground was just a mesh of browns

I also realized that I was about to slide out onto a little tiny step with a two-mile chasm underneath it. Rich asked me again if I was all set. "Let's do it!" I replied.

I inched my way out onto the step with Rich right behind me. Bucky was hanging on the side of the plane catching the whole thing on video. The air was humming by. It was a dizzying drop to the ground. "Ready... set... JUMP!" And we were off.

Down, down, down. I took the plunge and we went vertical for a moment. I arched into the correct freefall position and we planed out. Everything was so loud. We were screaming down through hundreds of feet of space going 150 mph, and Bucky was falling right next to us. He came in for a close-up and I was loving it.

Two mega-thumbs-up for the camera and then Rich turned us in a 360. I was shouting and yelling but I couldn't hear anything. The air was roaring by us, and then suddenly Rich gave me the sign to pull the rip. It all happened so fast. I took one last look at the camera and then jacked the ripcord out. In a heartbeat, we went from 150 to 15.

One instant, I couldn't even hear my own voice, and the next it was dead silent. We were dangling in the sky with nothing under us, floating down as the trees and cars grew larger.

Nothing has ever felt more peaceful than hanging there in space, drifting slowly back to ground.

Six minutes later we were back where we had started. We came in gently for the landing and, as quickly as it had happened, my first skydiving experience was over. I was pumped. My heart was racing and I couldn't believe what I had just done.

Try leaping from a plane, dropping a mile in the sky and soaring like a feather back to the earth and you will know what I'm talking about. My smile was boundless, I felt weightless and that's when I knew I would be back to do this thing they call skydiving again.

Photos are courtesy of Mike McFarland.



My heart was racing long before the plunge.

All of us were first-timers and so we had to jump tandem. Basically it meant we would jump with an instructor clamped to our back so, in the event we froze up and panicked at five thousand feet, there would be another person to pull the ripcord and guide the chute to earth.

We were pretty confident coming into the whole ordeal. We were not nervous, not frightened, just completely amped beyond

no room for a stupid mistake, and the instructors take the business of leaping from planes seriously. Paying attention is key.

Shortly after our instruction, we had to get to the paperwork. In a nutshell, you get seven pieces of paper verifying the fact you are about to sign your life away. Sure, you can reserve the right to sue the company ... for three thousand dollars! I just figured if something goes wrong and we don't make it, I'm not going to be all that concerned about taking these people to court.

Finally, (it seemed like days later) we were prepping to jump. Everybody goes up individually with an instructor, a cameraman and the pilot. We all had to wear cheesy jump suits and a pair of goggles. You feel goofy standing there in front of the camera, trying to play it cool, dressed in a Smurf outfit. Meanwhile, the cameraman was prompting me to say all sorts of interesting things for the video.

We got into the plane, and the whole crew was hazing me. They love to joke about the chute not working or a strap breaking. Just for your information, don't cave into their little games. Play it cool, keep smiling and talk about how amazing this jump is going to be. All of a sudden, they real-

and tans and greens. I-95 looked like a couple pinstripes drawn across the front of a shirt and each lake was a shining silver splotch.

Everything looked different from up there. It felt different. I was free, alive and totally jacked on the idea of falling back to earth at a mind-numbing speed. The air was electrified. My heart was racing. The sun was streaming through the window and there was a ten thousand foot space between myself and all the other living things below.

At 10,500 feet, Rich, my instructor, turned to me and asked if I was ready. I was and so we set up for the jump. He hitched his harness to mine, and we rehearsed the ripcord pull. He would point down at the rip when it was time, and I would yank it out. The chute would deploy, and we would have a smooth five-minute ride to the earth.

Seventeen minutes after we had taken off, Rich leaned over and opened up the jump door. "Time to go," he said.

Bucky, the cameraman, (a bona fide nutcase) filmed me getting all pumped up. He gave me the huge thumbs up and I was prepared.

As soon as the door was open I realized how loud it was outside.



Keb' Mo' and The Pierces give brilliant performances

By Stanley Dankoski
City Editor

The acoustics of the Maine Center for the Arts auditorium seemed perfect as a well-known blues artist and his opening act performed on stage Wednesday night.

It was the perfect night for music if you had a really long day at work. Both groups — Keb' Mo' and his opening act, the Pierces were on-key, playing romantically beautiful music that only supplemented their own amazingly simple, yet deep, lyrics.

All this, with their sense of humor and fun, unweaved the tangles of your day. Minor misses in chords were handled with style and ease and therefore became insignificant.

Bluesman Keb' Mo' played with his band for the first time on this tour to promote his new album, "The Door."

Having toured solo since September, Keb' Mo' was complemented superbly by his backing band. They showed nonbelievers that the blues are not always "cryin' and snivelin'," although they did their share of those songs:

"I just want to feel the dirt beneath my feet ... I'm just a city boy looking for a home."

Keb' Mo' occasionally supplemented his acoustic guitar with harmonica. The keyboard player also played the guitar, harmonica, mandolin and accordion.

"Have we offended anyone yet?" the singer-performer asked the audience after the songs "Everything I Need" and "Steel Guitar." The audience laughed, and he replied, "We might offend someone with this one." The band then went into a funky and spectacular version of "Give Me What You Got."

Keb' Mo's blues style is effectively influenced by jazz and spirituality. What his mother may consider offensive were apparently considered romantic lyricism by many couples in the audience.

The next song Keb' Mo' said made his mama angry, but he explained to her that "it's not swearing, it's artistic." Although the song had the word "ass" in the lyrics, the song "Stand Up and Be Strong" was a fairly uplifting song with an abrupt ending.

Interchanging between the romantic and damn-near brilliant raunchiness, Keb' Mo' slapped on an electric guitar and grinded straight into "Dangerous Mood,"

in which he prepares his home for his lover (or wife, what-have-you), places a flower on her pillow, breakfast in bed and, finally when she gets home, he loves her and loves her and loves her again and again and again.

Where Keb' Mo' doesn't dip into these songs with good clean fun, he slows down and does not rush. He takes as long as he needs. His lyrics are deep and straight-

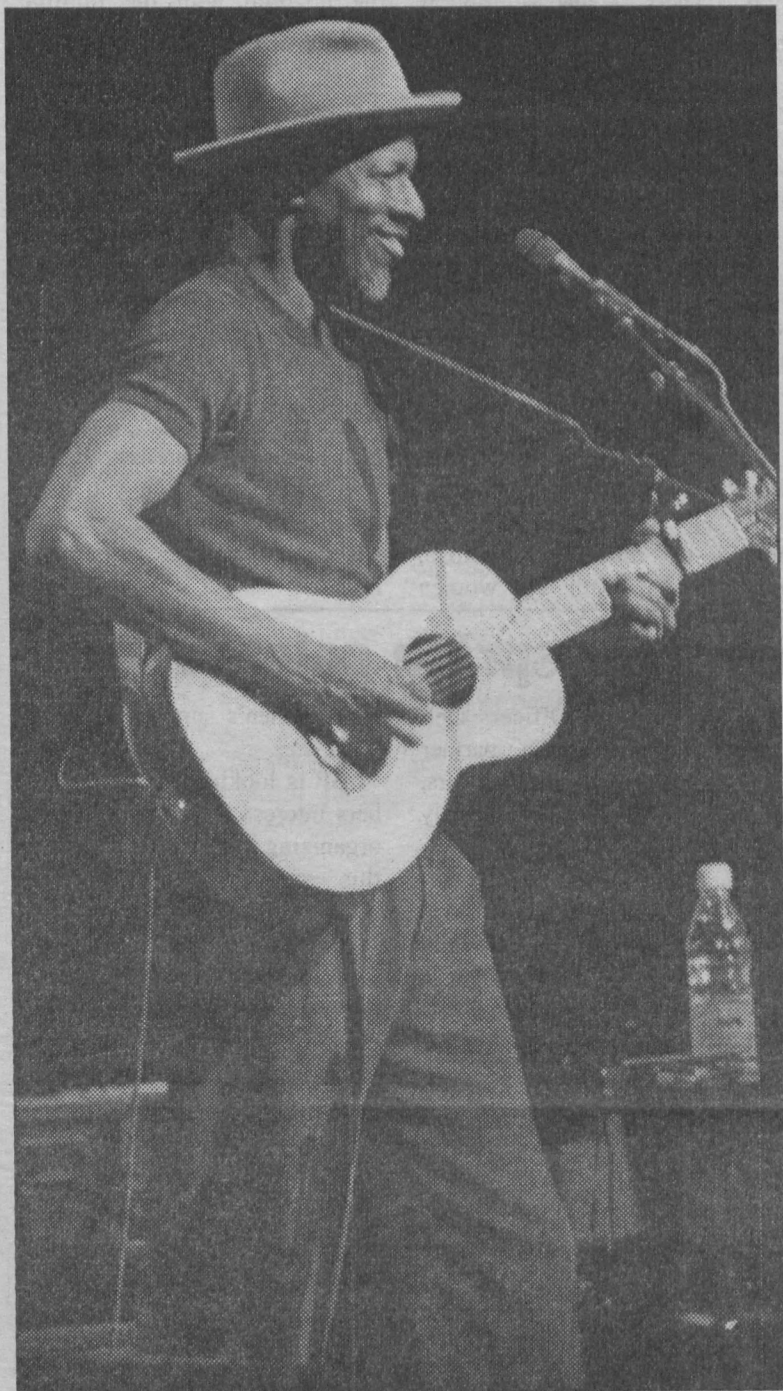
forward, and many in the audience seemed to relate to exactly what he was saying.

The same was true for his opening act, the Pierces.

With voices that penetrated the air and commanded attention of their audience, the Pierces are two sisters, Catherine and Allison, from Birmingham, Ala.

Their performance included

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Blues musician Keb' Mo' performed Wednesday night at the Maine Center for the Arts. CAMPUS PHOTO BY SCOTT SHELTON.



The Pierce sisters, seen here during a backstage interview, opened Wednesday evening for Keb' Mo' at the Maine Center for the Arts. Allison and Catherine came to Orono on the first night of their second official tour. Their first, self-titled, album was released on Monday. CAMPUS PHOTO BY SCOTT SHELTON.

The Pierces...

... are from Birmingham, Ala.

... have been influenced by Joni Mitchell, the Beatles, Fiona Apple, Tracy Chapman and the Indigo Girls.

... have been singing together since the age of 8 and 6 years old. They are now 25 and 23 years old

... started playing in clubs at 20 and 18 years old.

... dropped out of Auburn University to pursue their music careers.

... first signed a record label that fell through, but are now with Epic Records.

... played at the Skinny and the Asylum in Portland a few weeks ago. Allison loves Maine.

... will continue to tour with Keb' Mo' this season and will be at the State Theater in Portland in November.

Temple honors elders

By Amy Saunders
For The Maine Campus

The Beth Israel Temple is offering a Living Museum honoring the wise elders of the Jewish community. The congregation is over 112 years old and, according to Rabbi Yisrael Brettler, embraces several generations of Jews.

"This is somewhat unique, people in their 90s now, came with their parents when they were kids," Brettler said. He added that he had not seen that anywhere else in the United States. The strength of the community is amazing and offering a display marking respect for the elders of the temple is a gesture that will continue on for generations, Brettler said.

The museum consists of a collection of photographs composed by Susan Latham, a Bangor Daily News photographer, and artifacts donated or loaned by individuals or institutions within the area and also by members of the synagogue.

"I had been thinking about doing a project in the Jewish community and taking pictures was an extension of my job," Latham said.

This project is very special to Latham because of her ties within the synagogue. The people admiring her work are the same people she sees every week. "Some people have been really upset with the pictures, and I understand their feelings" she said. However, the freedom this project has offered allows Latham to create controversial, yet moving, photographs. Additionally, she has had the opportunity to work above and beyond her normal realm. Working for the BDN limits Latham to objective and therefore, suspended opinions, which prevents her from developing pictures that offer a judgment. Additionally Latham was able to use black and white photos for this assignment, which she said was a "welcome change."

Latham visited a number of housebound elders to establish

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Hayride benefits MAC and Witter

By Amy Saunders
For The Maine Campus

Halloween is approaching quickly and with only one week-end left before the frightening holiday, there are many events taking place this weekend.

One such happening is the annual haunted hayride at Witter Farm in Orono. A Maine tradition, the hayride will be held on the department of animal science's farm on Friday and Saturday night from 7-10 p.m.

The Maine Animal Club is sponsoring the hayride to raise money for activities they plan on taking part in this year. The club needs funding for travel expenses to visit farms around the state, to participate in competitions and for general costs of running the organization. The group plans other events such as the Hunter Pace held last weekend for students and the public.

The club also establishes contacts in the community and educates members about the skill of judging. This ability involves assessing an animal and being able to tell whether or not the beef, milk or showing talent is decent.

Sponsors of the ride were not prepared for the number of people who attended last year and according to Shane Keady, volunteer, the only thing that went wrong the first time was that people left before they could get on the ride.

"The first haunted hayride received more attention than anyone expected," said Maine Animal Club president Kiera Finucane. To remedy the problem, MAC has two wagons hauling riders this year.

On a 15 to 20 minute ride through the woods behind the farm, ghosts and goblins, witches, werewolves and various people of the night will spook riders.

Around 30 volunteers have been working on the project for about a month. Although, according to Finucane, members of the farm have actually been working on the ideas since last Halloween.

With a suggested \$3 donation, participants will be offered popcorn, hot chocolate and cider at a concession stand while they wait. There will also be a hay maze built for children to play in.

Beyond the basic fund-raising aim, the hayride will benefit Witter by urging the public and UMaine students to become involved. "Not very many people know we're here," Finucane said.

During the ride the barn will be open and the public is encouraged to look at the 30 horses, 120 cows and 20 sheep the farm cares for. A member of Witter will also be available to answer questions.

Witter farm is located on College Avenue. There will be a hay wagon at the end of the road with a sign and also a black and white cow mailbox.

Web site gives veracity to urban legends

By Debra Hatch
Copy Editor

Urban legends, or the tall tales which make real life blend with fiction, are not only the basis for many scary movies and campfire stories but the focus of an all-inclusive anthology of lore and gore. The Web site www.snopes.com, based in Southern California, is a massive site dedicated to giving validity to or taking it away from, the most famous and obscure urban legends.

Separated into categories specific to the type of legends: horror, college, Disney and Coke to name a few, the Web site breaks down the legends into the actual wording it usually is found to carry. In addition, each legend also contains variations on the wording and a key of dots which tells whether the legend is true, false or unknown.

Each legend explanation also

tells why it is true or false and the history of the legend. And usually, each legend has a referring link to similar legends, different legends or other categories. Currently there are 12 different categories of legends that have been compiled over the years.

In addition, the Web site contains pages that tackle which legends are currently circulating on the Internet and e-mail. Just like the party game, "telephone," urban legends have a way of being retold until, in some instances, they hardly resemble the original tale. The information pages, currently circulating pages and a list of books and places to find out more about urban legends are all excellent places to learn more about the legends and their origins.

The main feature making this Web site so attractive is the expansive selection of urban legends. Movies like "Urban Legend" and its recent sequel used some of the legends featured on the Web site and each legend

contains a brief history of where you might have seen it or read about it.

Each legend explanation is written simply and is easily readable. With the links connecting story to related story, it's easy to get sucked into the Web site and sit for hours reading urban tradition. There is also an option which allows viewers to post responses and queries. The site is consistently updated and depending on the season or time of year there are specialty sections. For instance, right now the site sports a Halloween page.

In the Halloween section there are several subcategories. In one, viewers will find a warning about toilet seats. According to the site, several women in the Chicago area were admitted to a hospital over a short period of time with the same symptoms; vomiting, fever and chills which were followed by muscular collapse, paralysis and death. The women

seemed to have nothing in common, however, it was later found out they had all eaten at the same restaurant.

On inspection of the restaurant, the food, water and air conditioning were all found to be safe. The first clue to the problem came when a waitress came into the hospital with the familiar symptoms. The waitress had only run into the restaurant to pick up a paycheck and to go to the bathroom. A doctor who attended the waitress took it upon himself to check a hunch. At the restaurant, he went into the bathroom and looked under the toilet seat where he found a venomous South American spider.

The tale is listed as being false information.

So, if you are looking for a great Halloween scarefest visit www.snopes.com. But, you might just learn something you never knew, or set your greatest fears to rest.

Beautiful Project seeks volunteers for spring celebration

By Gina Valenzuela
For the Maine Campus

The Beautiful Project is a one-day event created out of a year of hard work. BP is a subsidiary of the Student Women's Association and an extension of the empowerment of women.

The BP theme is "When you do what you love beauty shines." The Beautiful Project was designed to put that theme into practice. It gives women the opportunity to share their experi-

ences, talents, art and power with others. The day erases the disempowering images of women and replaces them with the beauty all women possess no matter what age, size, sexual orientation, ethnic or racial background.

This year will celebrate the fifth annual Beautiful Project, and plans are well under way. This event features free workshops, tables, music and art displays. Past workshops and ones considered for this year are: a sexual harassment and self-defense ses-

sion taught by Officer Deb Mitchell, fat liberation, partner massage, stripping with Kim Airs, poetry slam, dance (ballet or belly dancing), AIDS education, political panel and alternative and natural health.

As far as music, Ani DiFranco graced the BP stage in 1999, and last year's Mona Rae is most likely to return for this year. BP is also looking at Pepper McGowan, Catie Curtis and Butchies. Tables are up for grabs, possibly featuring everything from feminist books to var-

ious women's support organizations.

BP is looking for new members interested in brainstorming, organizing and helping set up this one-day event tentatively scheduled for April 14.

They are also seeking artwork and poetry portraying positive images of women to be displayed during this event. Coordinator Beth Haney said she encourages any person who is interested in helping or has ideas to email her on FirstClass, or call 581-1510.

Living Museum

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the beginnings of the museum with the aim to keep their memories alive through images. "It was pretty moving. I saw people that I didn't know in an intense time of life," Latham said.

Honoring the elders has also taken effect through artifacts such as the Talmud, the Jewish Sacred Book passed down from Brettler's grandfather. Also donated is a painting done by a member of Temple now on display in the museum.

"We're showing a living community, history is in the people

and it's important for us to be appreciative," Brettler said.

The sponsors of the museum, the Gerer Conversion class of 5760, have put out requests for artifacts in the surrounding areas. According to Latham, finding people willing to donate artifacts has proven difficult because of trust issues with the younger generations recently converted to the Jewish religion. The sponsors plan to rework the project and present it in a different light to attract additional exhibits.

The photos comprise a signifi-

cant portion of the display, however, there is also an art project built by grammar school student, Brandon Libby. The creation depicts the Nazi's first extermination camp in Belzec, Germany built November 11, 1941. The camp consisted of two sections: the first being where the Jews checked in after coming off of the train, and according to Libby, the second was the execution sector. Told they were going to bathe, Jews were killed with carbon monoxide from showerheads.

All together, 600,000 were

killed and buried in large trenches only to be dug back up and burned in front of their loved ones because of the stench of rotting corpses, Libby's report said.

The importance of this display, together with the pictures and artifacts, is to remember and honor those Jews that have been part of the congregation for their entire lives. "I think it's so important to do this while people are still alive and well, that is the whole idea of it being a living museum," one member of the conversion class, Amy Hrizuk, said.

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stripped-down versions of songs from their first album, which was released Monday.

No drums. One acoustic guitar. One backing electric guitar. And two strong voices that dare to redefine popular folk music.

While Catherine sang with pure intensity, her speaking voice was quite soft. Allison, who played the acoustic gui-

tar, sang alongside her sister, adding much to the duet.

Perhaps their most amazing performance was a cover of Paul Simon's "Cathy."

Allison Pierce dedicated the song to a couple in front of the audience ("they don't even hear me say this"), adding, "We'd like to offer happy songs, but we have none of those."

What followed was one of the

loveliest sounds made that night.

No drums. Not even the acoustic guitar. They used the strongest instruments they had — their voices.

In "I Feel Nothing," a fumble occurred at the first few chords, which was attributed to it being the first time they had to play it with the electric guitarist, Adam Shoenfeld.

Clips of songs from their new

album, found at www.thepiercesisters.com, show that they are not exclusively acoustically driven. Some sound effects and drums complement the core of the band. However, if the Web clips are any indication, the Pierce sisters would perhaps benefit without the special effects, which gnaw away from the excellence shown at their live performance.

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Football injury leads to amputation

By Marcus R. Fuller
Spartan Daily

SAN JOSE, Calif. (U-WIRE) — Neil Parry, a sophomore safety on the San Jose State football team, who suffered a compound fracture during a 47-30 loss to Texas-El Paso on Oct. 14, underwent surgery Monday to amputate below his right knee.

Surgery was needed to stop an infection in Parry's right leg that began Oct. 18, according to San Jose State head physician Martin Trieb.

"It became evident Saturday that there was so much destroyed tissue that there had to be an amputation," Trieb said.

The amputation, which was done three inches above the ankle, was performed successfully at the Stanford Medical Center in Palo Alto, according to Trieb.

"The knee is in good condition," Trieb said. "There was no infection left in the remaining portion."

Trieb said the fracture infection was highly unusual in 20-year-old Parry's case.

"There are motorcycle accidents where a person's leg scrapes along the cement, picks up dirt and there's no infection," he said. "This particular infection has not happened many times. We don't know why it happened. The lack of blood supply to tissue was a critical factor."

Parry, an undecided major, was a starter on the Spartans special teams.

The injury occurred on a kick-off return in the third quarter when a UTEP player knocked

down a member of the SJSU team, who then rolled into Parry's leg.

Spartan head trainer Charlie Miller said the open fibula fracture was visible through the sock.

"It was an angulated fracture where the lower leg was out of alignment," Miller said. "There was extensive bleeding through the sock."

Parry was immediately taken to O'Connor Hospital where surgery was performed to put a rod into his leg. The goal of the surgery Saturday was to stabilize the right tibia, Trieb said.

The tibia is the inner and thicker of the two bones of the leg between the knee and the ankle, sometimes called the shinbone.

A few days later, severe swelling began in the post-surgical area, which later led to the bacterial infection.

Parry was moved to Stanford on Oct. 18 where physicians worked to surgically nurse the infection, but his condition worsened. Doctors feared his condition might become fatal when he developed pseudomonas and a fever, Miller said.

By Saturday, Parry's fever subsided, but the tissue in his right foot continued to deteriorate to the point where further surgery was necessary.

"If he didn't have an amputation, he would have had a dead foot," Trieb said.

Parry's brother, Josh, a senior co-captain on the football team, flew into Reno to meet the team Friday with the knowledge that his brother may need surgery.

Head coach Dave Baldwin said he admired the way his leading tackler handled such a difficult situation Saturday.

"For him to come and play like he played, knowing the circumstances, was incredible," Baldwin said.

The Spartan players wore Parry's No. 32 on their helmets and the coaches had his number on their hats. Baldwin said the slogan for the game was "60 men for one cause for one player."

Josh helped SJSU defeat Nevada 49-30 with a career-high of 17 tackles. After the bitter-sweet victory, he stood up in front of the team and told them about the possible amputation.

"It was very sad," said senior defensive tackle Bryan Yeager. "It brought tears to my eyes and everyone in the locker room. Rarely do you see a leader like Josh, who will stand up and lead a team in adverse situations."

Josh, who was unavailable for comment, is not with the team and may not travel to Honolulu for Saturday's game against Hawaii, Baldwin said.

"His concern is with his brother," Baldwin said. "This is a family, and he should be with Neil now. I don't know if Josh will go with us to Hawaii."

Yeager said the team must continue to play with the same intensity that the Parry brothers brought to the field.

"We're not trying to win one for the gipper. But, if we could just go out there and play how they played, the wins will come," Yeager said.

WEEKEND SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

Women's Soccer vs. Hofstra 2:30 p.m.

Men's Hockey vs. Ohio State 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

Football vs. Rhode Island 12 p.m.

Men's Hockey vs. Ohio State 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Women's Soccer vs. Drexel 12 p.m.

Men's Basketball Blue-White 2 p.m.

Women's Basketball Blue-White 3:30 p.m.

ON THE ROAD...

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Men's Soccer at Hofstra

Field Hockey at Towson

SATURDAY

Volleyball at Hartford

Cross Country at America East Championships

Swimming at Central Connecticut State

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ing the situation with the Colonial.

"It was not an expansion meeting," Tyler said. "It was our regularly scheduled fall meeting."

To some it is a foregone conclusion that Delaware, Hofstra, Drexel and Towson will accept the Colonial offer. Tyler said

that, thus far, the Colonial has put forth no such official offer.

"The newspapers had stories about defections, people were going definitely," Tyler said. "It is important to know that a formal offer had not been made."

With nothing worked out officially yet, the members of America

East sit in limbo. Tyler does note that conference defection deals usually happen immediately. For now, UMaine just has to wait and see what the other schools decide.

"It's too early to know who's going, and who's staying to say what is the best thing for Maine," Tyler said.

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Defensive end Fearon Wright leads Rhody with six sacks and nine tackles for losses. Safety Lance Small chips in with 35 unassisted stops and two interceptions.

Rhode Island's kicking game is

suspect. Currently, kickers Shane Laisle and Ryan Szczesniak are 8 of 11 in conversion kicks and a miserable 1 of 5 on field goal attempts. Laisle averages 36 yards per punt and has had one blocked.

The Rams lack the gaudy numbers Maine is used to seeing in their recent opposition. However, they come in riding a two-game hot streak which makes them dangerous.

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generally assumed by everyone in the business that Burns was a goner. Owner Jeremy Jacobs publicly blamed Burns for the team's poor play. However, after two meetings with Sinden, he was retained.

Boston opened the season 3-0-1 and seemed well on their way to recovery. Yet a winless four-game western road trip sealed Burns' fate. His dismissal leaves a black mark on an otherwise outstanding coaching resume. The 30-point turnaround by the 1997 Bruins, his first year with the club, remains the greatest improvement in team history.

Enter Keenan, a coach now joining his sixth club.

Keenan's coaching ability is undeniable. He guided the New

York Rangers to a Stanley Cup in 1993-94. His last stint, in Vancouver, ended with his firing in the middle of the 1998-99 season. Keenan, like Burns, is a disciplinarian. Unlike Burns, he isn't afraid to openly challenge the front office, a tendency that has contributed to his departure on every team he has coached.

Mike Keenan is very much like Harry Sinden. Will this work? Only time will tell, but one thing remains clear. Keenan inherits a team that is dependent upon a 20-year-old goalie (Andrew Raycroft), a nucleus of extremely young and untested talent and an aging, injury-prone veteran defenseman (Paul Coffey) for success. Raycroft has

been inconsistent as have the young players. Coffey has battled injuries early and, according to some, is overrated as a vocal leader.

If Keenan is unable to right the ship immediately, look for the fingers to start pointing. This time, they might focus on Harry Sinden.

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Northeastern beats Maine volleyball

Team heads to Hofstra, Hartford this weekend

By John Contreras
Sports Editor

The Maine volleyball team lost to Northeastern in three games Wednesday night at the Pit.

Northeastern is the second-ranked team in the conference and beat the Black Bears 15-11, 15-6, 15-7 to improve to 8-1 in conference and 15-11 overall. Maine falls to 2-7 in America East and 9-14 overall.

Maine's Leah Voss posted 14 kills despite missing some action

later in the match with some shoulder trouble and Dawn Dommermuth posted 10 kills. Maine expects to have Voss ready to go this weekend according to Maine head coach Sue Medley.

"She was having a little trouble with her shoulder," Medley said.

Northeastern's Kristin Ursillo led the Huskies with 14 kills and Kristin Deatherage added 13.

Northeastern's offense proved to be tough for the Maine defense to block. Northeastern was

stacking the middle and forcing Maine to block one on one.

"They went from their outside to their right side," Medley said. "I think its something we're going to see more and more now."

Northeastern had the 12-7 advantage in game one and Maine managed a couple points to bring the match to 12-10 but Northeastern held on for the 15-11 victory and the Huskies served an ace to win the game.

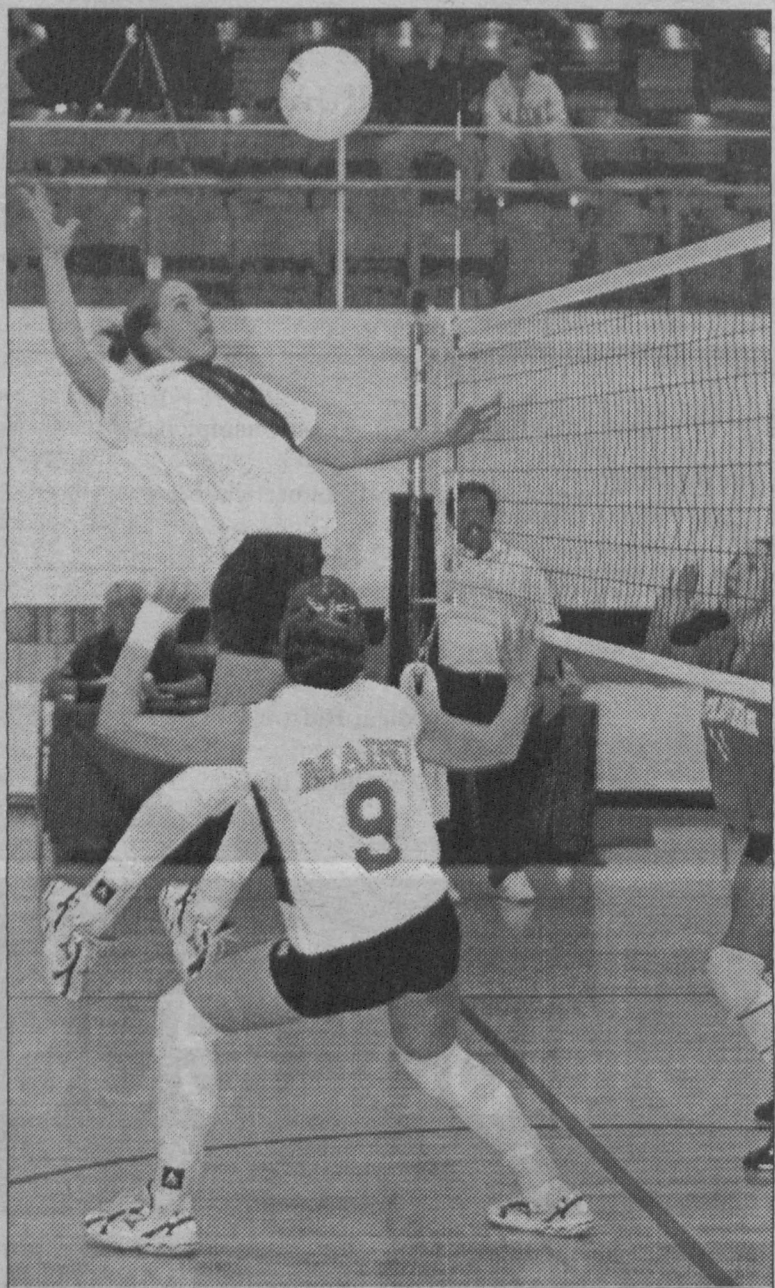
In game two, the teams scored back and forth to a 3-3 tie. Northeastern went on a 6-0 scoring run and took the lead 11-4. Maine took a time out and regrouped when setter Cheryl Elliott caught Northeastern off guard and dumped the second hit over the net for the sideout. Northeastern took back the serve and took a 14-4 lead. Maine scored a couple more points but Northeastern closed out the game at 15-6.

Northeastern jumped out to an early 3-0 lead on an ace, a tip that Maine touched before heading out. Maine got one point on the board, but Northeastern grabbed the momentum and reeled off six more points to take the 9-1 lead. Maine rebounded to come within three points at 7-10. Northeastern scored the final five points to win the match in straight games 15-7. Maine had 14 service errors, to Northeastern's nine in the match. Northeastern setter Suzana Stojakovic posted 44 assists and Elliott knotted 39 on the Maine side.

Maine hits the road this weekend to take on Hartford and Hofstra in America East action.

Maine is currently sixth in the conference and looks to move up this weekend and Medley likens her team's chances against Hofstra the second time around.

"I think we were very competitive with them last time," Medley said. "I don't think they're untouchable. I think anything can happen."



Maine's Cheryl Elliott sets up the outside hitter in Wednesday night's conference matchup against Northeastern. Elliott leads the America East in service aces. CAMPUS PHOTO BY SCOTT SHELTON.

Restructuring probable in America East's future

By Joseph Bethony
For The Maine Campus

The current state of the America East conference could be characterized as a state of flux; nobody knows how many of the 10 teams are going to the Colonial Athletic Association or which ones are staying, according to UMaine Athletics Director Suzanne Tyler.

"The Colonial, as a league, has not made any formal move to America East as a conference," Tyler said. "The Colonial has had dialogues, discussions, and conversations with four of our members and they are preparing offers for membership."

Those four teams, Delaware, Hofstra, Drexel and Towson, have not yet received any formal invitation to join the Colonial, according to Tyler. However, once that happens she theorizes that at least one team will leave America East.

According to the NCAA, a conference must have at least six teams to exist. Last spring, the Colonial lost three teams, American University, Richmond and East Carolina University. With only six teams remaining, the Colonial set its sights on either joining America East or bringing in teams. The former proposal died quickly.

"That was an option six weeks ago," Tyler said. "It came out that expansion, at this time, didn't make the three-quarter vote to invite the Colonial schools."

After the vote, Tyler thought that America East might lose one or two teams to the Colonial, not four. The loss of schools to the Colonial now seems imminent; it is just a matter of how many.

"All I know is that I don't think we'll be 10 America East schools at this time next year," Tyler said. "There are going to be attractive offers to people and some of them may take it, but I don't know if all of them

will."

America East does not have a contingency plan set up at the moment to deal with the possible loss of four schools, but it does have some options at its disposal.

"I wouldn't be talking out of turn if I talked about Stony Brook and Albany," Tyler said. "They have been obvious and very public about their interest in being members of America East."

Tyler admits that assimilating the Colonial teams would raise the competitive nature of the conference, but Dr. John Giannini, head coach of the men's basketball team, thinks that a smaller conference would benefit his team.

"It makes a conference championship more possible," Giannini said.

Giannini also pointed out that revenue and post-season NCAA tournament berths are the same for any mid-level or lower-level conference outside the top 10. However, recruiting could take a major hit if the southern schools leave America East.

"It could hurt players wanting to play in front of home crowds," Giannini said.

Another hit UMaine athletics could take with an America East exodus would be directly on the playing field, either because there would be fewer strong schools left in the conference to play, or the schools that are added do not rank as high nationally as the ones that left.

"There's a different impact for each sport," head field hockey coach Terry Kix said. "In field hockey, Delaware is a top 20 program. We'd hate to lose a competitive team."

Athletic directors from each of the America East schools recently had their annual fall meeting in Hartford. It was not a meeting aimed at resolving

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Men's soccer heads to Hofstra, Drexel

By Kevin Gove
Men's Soccer Reporter

Two losses last weekend eliminated them from the America East playoffs for the sixth straight year and they currently sit in last place in the conference standings, but the University of Maine men's soccer team will be flying higher than ever this weekend.

On American Airlines that is. The Black Bears' once-a-year road trip via the friendly skies happens this weekend as they travel to Hofstra and Drexel for the final two contests on their conference schedule.

Despite Maine's winless record in conference play and the team's rank, head coach Travers Evans says there's still reason to be playing hard.

"We can get better as a team and we can also knock [Hofstra of Drexel] out of the conference tournament," Evans said. "We still have

some say in who comprises that four team field and we want to get the wins, so that's our motivation."

The Black Bears could play spoiler for both teams.

Hofstra (8-4-3, 4-2-1 America East) occupies fourth place with 13 points while Drexel (8-5-1, 4-3-0 America East) holds the fifth spot with 12 points.

Maine will face the Pride today. Hofstra is led by two international forwards. Aboubacar Camara from West Africa leads the Pride with six goals and 13 total points. Ireland native Patrick Geraghty has produced three goals and six assists for 12 points on the season.

Two other Hofstra players have ten or more points this year and eight additional team members have scored at least one goal.

"Hofstra's always a talented team," Evans said. "It's always a tough place to play at their field."

The Dragons host the Black Bears on Sunday. Jim Costello

leads the Dragons offensively with 11 points on three goals and six assists. Goalkeeper Mike Haberman is second in America East in goals against average (1.03) and shutouts (5), allowing 15 goals in 14 matches.

"We match up well with Drexel," Evans said. "We've got a lot of speed on our team and I think we can match up with anyone if we play our style."

A major component in Maine's on-field execution will be missing in the Hofstra contest. Leading scorer Russell Hutchinson injured the meniscus on his left knee in the Towson game last weekend. He will not play today. He is questionable for the Drexel game.

Freshman Justin Woycke will take Hutchinson's starting position at midfield. Sophomore Jack Rioux, who has started nine games as a defender, will also see time at midfield according to Evans.

Women's soccer looks for strong conference finish

By Kelly Brown
Women's Soccer Reporter

After a record start to their season, the Maine women's soccer team has hit a bit of a slump. After a scoring drought of six games the Black Bears are far from giving up.

"The big thing here is that we're not going to hit the panic button," head coach Scott Atherley said. If that happens, he says, "then kids go into the game with the idea that 'we gotta score, we gotta score.' My attitude is more like 'let's just create chances.'"

Last weekend, the Black Bears were on the road to battle conference foes Delaware and Towson, losing to Delaware with a 4-0 score and Towson 2-0.

"We really struggled against Delaware. Quite frankly we were overwhelmed," Atherley said. With field conditions that were undesirable, and a smaller than usual playing area, the team set out to conform to the new unfamiliar circumstances, but never quite succeeded in doing so.

"It was 4-0 before we even knew it" Atherley said. "I was disappointed with the fact that we couldn't adjust to the conditions and the circumstance. If you're a good team you have to be prepared anywhere, whether it is turf, a small field, whether it is a bumpy field, it really makes no difference. You have to be ready to play."

On Monday against Towson, the Bears again left feeling disappointed after a 2-0 loss. With a team that starts nine to 10 freshmen out of 11 players, the Black Bears inexperience is starting to show.

"When you're playing with this many freshmen, you're bound to

have days where you don't show up and you're bound to have days when it just doesn't go. That's what I have to keep in perspective. I think it's a sign of our youth and inexperience as a team."

Coach Atherley also attributes some of the difficulties his team is having to injuries that have affected some of his key players. Jess Wojik and Dominik Bertrand are both front line players, sidelined due to injuries.

"It puts a little more pressure on the individuals we're relying on," Atherley said. The Black Bears are now looking to their starting line, made up mostly of freshmen, to play for the entire match. "When you're young and you have to play 90 minutes a match, that's a tough thing."

The Maine women will be trying to change the pace this weekend as they will remain at home, matching up against Hofstra and Drexel.

"Hofstra is fighting for a play-off spot," Atherley said. "They're going to be fighting hard," Atherley said. "We match up extremely well with Drexel. I think our chances are very good."

Although the Black Bears do not have a chance left to play in the America East conference tournament, they have their own goals in mind.

"What we do at the end of the season carries over to next year. We'd like to win our last three games and that's realistic for us," said Atherley. "There's less than a week left in the season so there's nothing to save ourselves for. We have nothing to lose."

The women's soccer team battles conference foes Hofstra on Friday at 12:30 p.m. and Drexel on Sunday at 2 p.m., both at Alumni Field.

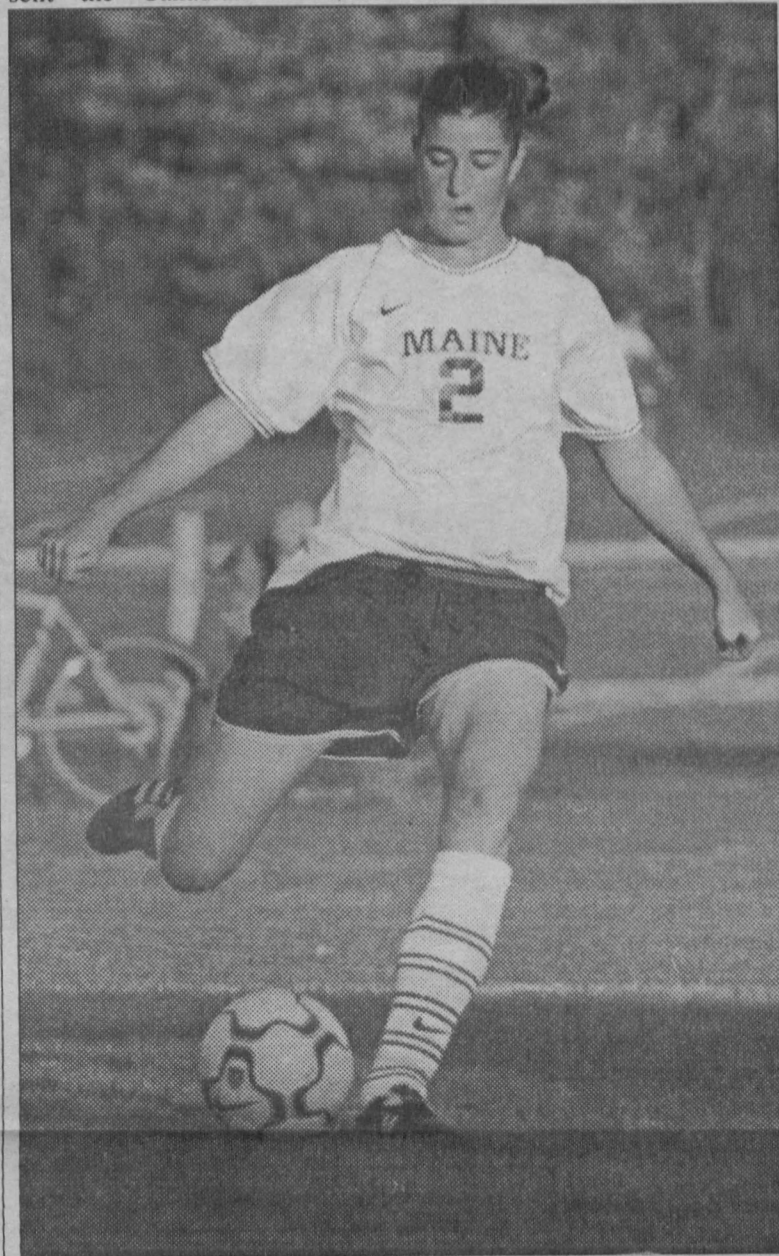
Hodge chosen by Canadian team

By Kelly Brown
Women's Soccer Reporter

On Oct. 18, Maine women's soccer player Katie Hodge received the news that every soccer player dreams of hearing. Hodge, a native to Quebec, Canada, is being asked to represent the Canadian women's

national team in an upcoming exhibition game, against the U.S. National team in Columbus, Ohio.

The U.S. team features some of women's soccer's most renowned players in the world, such as Mia Hamm, Kristine Lilly, Brandi Chastain, and Carla Overbeck.



Maine's Katie Hodge is set to play for the Canadian National Team in a friendly exhibition game against the United States next month. CAMPUS PHOTO BY ANNE MALCOLM

"I'm definitely really excited to be a part of this; to play with some of the best players in the world," Hodge said.

Maine women's soccer head coach Scott Atherley shares Hodge's excitement. "We're really excited on her behalf in the fact that she has an opportunity to represent her country at the highest level. I think that's every player's dream," he said.

Atherley also boasts Hodge's achievement as a testament to the soccer program that is being built here at the University of Maine. "It's an indication of the quality of players we have within our program. It just establishes that fact that we're on the right track—that we're able to attract players of Katie's quality and caliber," Atherley said. "It bodes well for our future."

The Canadian National Team has never experienced the same success that the U.S. team has had, but they are looking to change that in the near future. The Canadians recruited a new head coach last year, Evan Pellerud. Pellerud was formerly the head coach of the Norwegian National team who won gold in 1995 in the Women's World Cup and took home the bronze in the 1996 Summer Olympics.

Hodge was selected to be a member of the national team after Pellerud saw a tape of Hodge playing for Canada's under-19 national team. She was notified just recently by e-mail sent by Coach Pellerud.

"I was so excited," Hodge said. "To play someday for the national team was a huge goal for me and now it's happening."

The exhibition game that Katie Hodge will participate in will be televised on ESPN2 on Saturday Nov. 11, at 4 p.m.

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Men's Hockey

(Wednesday) and things went fine."

In spite of higher dosage treatments the second time around, the coach noted he is regaining his energy quickly. "I'm getting a little stronger every day," said Walsh. "The practice the other day was invigorating."

His presence in the locker room cannot be understated.

"It's so important to everyone to have him back," Tommy Reimann said. "He's in pretty good form too, he hasn't forgotten how to yell," Reimann said jokingly.

"You notice the difference right away," said Mattias Trattning. "It's the little things that are hard to describe, but they're important to us."

With the lynchpin of the program back in the fold, Maine turns its attention to a pair of key non-conference contests with CCHA power Ohio State.

"They're very skilled," Walsh said. "They had a great recruiting year and this should be a good test."

The Buckeyes come in on the heels of a 4-1 victory over Niagara last weekend. The previous weekend they split a pair of games with Northern Michigan, making their overall mark 3-1.

"They should be tough," said Black Bear captain Doug Janik.

"They play in a tough conference and they played us tough last year. We'll definitely have our work cut out for us."

Maine swept a pair of games from OSU last season in Columbus.

The Buckeyes are led by defenseman Andre Signoretti. The senior blueliner has a goal and four assists in three games. Signoretti is also the quarterback on the OSU power play, which has notched four goals to date.

"Their defense is very offense-minded," said A.J. Begg, the other Maine captain. "They like to jump into the play and we'll have to watch for that."

Forward Jean-Francois Dufour and Nick Ganga lead the Buckeyes with three goals apiece. Dufour, a senior, has found the net twice on the power play. Miguel LeFleche, Mike McCormick and Luke Pavlas are forwards who also bear watching.

The OSU roster lists 10 freshmen. Defenseman Doug Andress (1 goal, 2 assists) and centers R.J. Umberger (1 & 2) and Dave Steckel (two goals) have stepped right in and contributed early.

Ohio State is backstopped by a freshman as well. Mike Betz has made all three starts between the pipes for the Buckeyes, posting a

2.68 goals against average and a .900 save percentage.

The Black Bears come into the contest ranked seventh in the nation in the latest poll.

Reimann, Martin Kariya and Lucas Lawson lead Maine with two goals apiece. Freshman Brendan Donovan has chipped in with three assists and some gritty play in the corners. Forward Mattias Trattning (one goal, two assists) and defenseman Peter Metcalf (1 & 2) have also stepped up offensively. Of the 20 players on the active roster, 15 have registered points thus far. The Black Bears are indeed spreading the offense.

"I think that's what good teams do," said forward Dan Kerluke. "Everyone contributes

and it makes everyone a better player."

Matt Yeats has been solid in net. The sophomore has a 2.41 goals against average and a .903 save percentage. Junior Mike Morrison is coming off an outstanding performance against the U.S. team, one that led to his inclusion on the Black Bear Classic All-Tourney Team.

On special teams against Division I teams this season,

Maine has converted 17.3 percent on the power play while killing off penalties at an 80 percent clip.

The danger for Maine might be to overlook the Buckeyes as they prepare for their Hockey East opener on November 3 in Providence. This notion is quickly dismissed by Janik.

"We take hockey one weekend, one game, at a time around here," Janik said.

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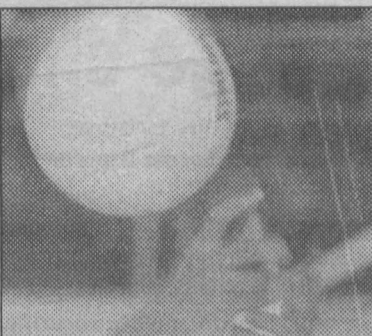
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The Maine Campus Sports

Bruins turn to Keenan

By Jim Leonard
Men's Hockey Reporter

On Wednesday, the Boston Bruins fired head coach Pat Burns. The move ended a stormy relationship between Burns and the Bruins' front office that nearly resulted in his dismissal at the end of last season.

Burns, a three-time winner of the NHL's coach of the year award, was replaced by controversial Mike Keenan. The dismissal of Burns at this stage of the season left many hockey insiders shaking their heads. The decision to replace him with Keenan is just as baffling.

A little history is in order here.

Harry Sinden has served as Bruins general manager since 1972. He remains the last coach to win a Stanley Cup with Boston, which he did in that same year. Sinden's reputation around hockey is well respected by his peers. In many respects, he is the last of his line. He is a relic from a generation of no-nonsense, iron-fisted hockey GMs who demand a supreme work ethic from every member of their organization.

When hockey toiled in relative obscurity in North America during the '70s and early '80s, this attitude was necessary. His contentious, often brutal, negotiating tactics with players during contract talks are the stuff of legend. He got rid of Bobby Orr, Phil Esposito and Ray Bourque, two Hall of Famers and one future member of that shrine.

His tenacious guarding of the Boston pursestrings has resulted in many high quality free agents to rule out playing for the Bruins. It has also resulted in the loss of talent from within the organization, as well as an annual holdout by two or three disgruntled players each season.

Sinden is not afraid to criticize a coach, privately or publicly. He allows his assistant, Mike O'Connell, the same latitude. It was this latitude that led to the rift between Burns and the Bruin front office.

Burns was hired because of his history as a disciplinarian. At the beginning of last season, he sat a few young players to send a message. Some of these players were high draft picks and had just signed what the front office considered "fat" contracts. Burns was challenged by O'Connell on the move. This led to accusations of meddling and micro-management.

At the end of last season, a season in which the Bruins failed to reach the playoffs for only the second time in 33 seasons, it was

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Black Bears battle Buckeyes this weekend

Walsh plans on coaching from the bench for weekend series

By Jim Leonard
Men's Hockey Reporter

Homecoming will take on a special flavor at the Alford Arena this weekend. Among the many reunions taking place around campus will be one with special significance. Head coach Shawn Walsh returns to the team after missing the last two weeks while receiving immunotherapy treatments in California.

Walsh met the media in Dexter Lounge Thursday afternoon and promptly announced that he would be on the bench for this weekend's series with Ohio State. Walsh thanked a variety of people including the team, his family, interim head coach Gene Reilly and actor Kurt Russell with making a difficult time much easier.

"I couldn't have done it without them," he said.

The coach, despite a cross coun-



Maine's Lucas Lawson battles against North Dakota two weeks ago in the season opener. CAMPUS PHOTO BY SCOTT SHELTON.



Shawn Walsh addresses the media at a press conference Thursday afternoon. CAMPUS PHOTO BY SCOTT SHELTON.

try flight on Monday after treatment completed on Sunday, jumped right back into the fray. "I ran a two hour practice yesterday

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Maine looks for victory against Rhode Island

By Jim Leonard
Football Reporter

Black Bear football returns from the road, hoping to end a four-game losing streak during Homecoming festivities this weekend.

UMaine will square off in an Atlantic 10 conference matchup with Rhode Island on Morse Field at noon Saturday.

Maine will also be seeking its first conference victory at the hands of a Rhody club that upset James Madison two weeks ago.

The Black Bears, 0-4 in conference and 2-5 overall, are currently in ninth place in the Atlantic 10. The Rams, 2-3 in the A-10 and 2-5 overall, occupy the eighth spot.

The UMaine defensive corps came off with what might be characterized as their best game of the year last week. The Black Bear defenders held a talented Richmond offense to three points through the first three quarters before surrendering 14 in the final frame as Maine fell 17-6.

"Our defense is coming together," sophomore linebacker Stephen Cooper said. "If we play the way we're capable of playing this weekend, we should come out with a win."

The Black Bear offense has been ineffective and mistake-prone of late. In the fourth quarter of last Saturday's loss, Maine fumbled on the Richmond 2-yard line with the Spiders clinging to a 10-6 lead.

"Our offense just isn't executing like we were the first five games," quarterback Jake Eaton

said. "We need to get back to basics ... get into the rhythm and establish the confidence that was so evident."

Turnovers and penalties have proven the Achilles heel for Maine all season, a trend they hope to break on Saturday.

"We've had opportunities to make big plays," Eaton said. "We just aren't taking advantage of them."

They will attempt to do so against a Ram squad that has won

two straight, including a 38-24 victory over Northeastern on the road last weekend.

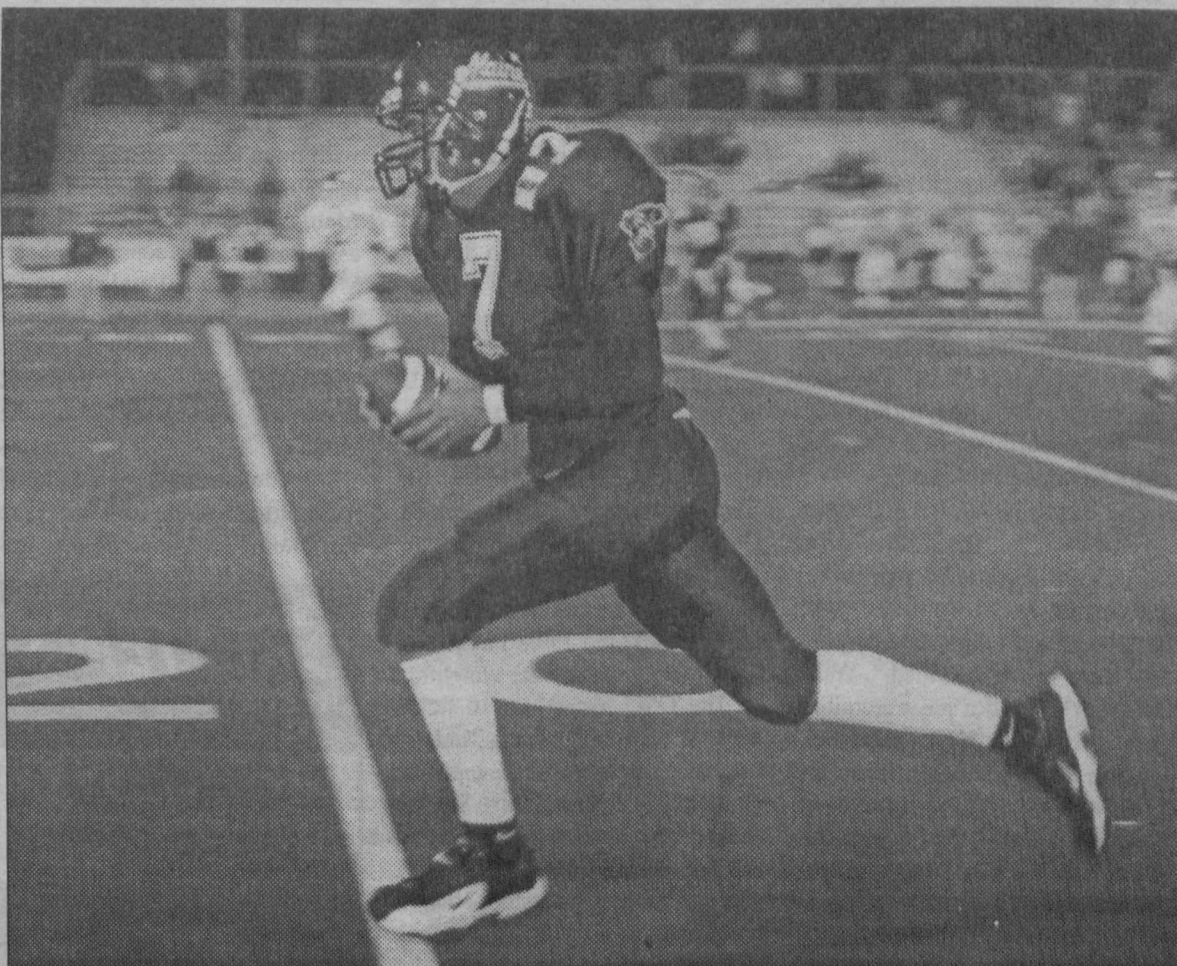
Rhody's spread offense is keyed by quarterback Vince Nedimyer. The sophomore has rushed for 331 yards and seven touchdowns on the season. Nedimyer is a running quarterback, throwing for only one touchdown while being picked off nine times.

Running back David Jamison has rushed for 624 yards and

averages 4.7 yards per carry. The junior has scored twice and is not much of a threat out of the backfield, catching only one pass for negative yardage thus far.

Defensively, the Rams are led by linebacker Keith Heineman. Heineman, a junior, has 41 unassisted tackles among his 64 stops. He's also picked off two passes, forced two fumbles and recorded a sack and six tackles for losses.

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Maine's Phil McGeoghan runs for a touchdown in Maine's last home contest. McGeoghan and Dwayne Wilmot are one of the best duos of wide receivers in the Atlantic 10. CAMPUS PHOTO BY ANNE MALCOLM.